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Dr. Troy Thompson, who has a family practice in Stevensville, has recovered from the COVID-19 virus. In the aftermath, Thompson opened a temporary COVID-19 clinic for patients who don't need hospitalization. He has also donated his plasma to help treat other COVID-19 patients.

Stepping up

Dr. Troy Thompson operates COVID-19 clinic after recovering from the disease

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

STEVENSVILLE — Being one of the first health care providers in Berrien County to come down with COVID-19 in March was miserable – but educational – said Dr. Troy Thompson, of the Southwestern Medical Clinic in Stevensville.

"That was an interesting experience that I was able to study first-hand," he said. "By God's grace, it's probably the best thing for a physician to have happen is to get a lot of misery so they can understand the disease and be compassionate to other people."

And he said he wants people to know that there is life after having the disease, which is caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2.

After recovering, Thompson decided to take advantage of his assumed immunity by temporarily opening a COVID-19 clinic two afternoons a week.

At the clinic, he takes care of people who have COVID-19, but aren't so sick that they need to be hospitalized. He said some of the people he has seen were discharged from the hospital and their primary care doctor isn't able to see COVID-19 patients because, perhaps, they are older with underlying health conditions. Thompson said some of his COVID-19 patients don't have primary care doctors.

"Usually, we want people to follow-up with their own primary care doctor," he said. "If they're not able to see their own primary care doctor, for some special reason, then we're available. I'm just trying to be a resource."

He said there was a lot of fear surrounding COVID-19, especially in the early stages that the virus started to circulate in Michigan.

"Before we get COVID-19, we're worried that we're going to get it," he said. "Once we get it, we're worried that we're going to die. When we realize we're not going to die, we worry about all the people that we might have infected before we knew it. And once we get better, everybody else is scared of us."

Having experienced the disease himself, Thompson said he is able to reassure his patients that the symptoms won't last forever.

"We actually have something going for us now," he said. "We no longer can get this virus unless it mutates. And we no longer are going to give it to somebody else. We actually are liberated, by being sick, to be able to help people."

One of the reasons SARS-CoV-2 has spread so quickly through the world is that a high percentage of people with the virus never develop symptoms, said Dr. Mark Harrison, a doctor with Lakeland who specializes in infectious diseases. Even people who develop COVID-19 are most contagious two to four days before they show any symptoms. For that reason, he said it's very difficult to track the virus.

That is unlike SARS-CoV-1, which created a pandemic in 2003. Harrison said that virus was able to be contained quickly because most of the people who had it got sick with symptoms.

"SARS-2 is sneaky," he said. "People don't know they are carrying it and spreading it around."

Thompson said his battle with COVID-19 started with several days of a headache and eye pain. But he said he never had a fever. Initially, he was not tested for the disease because tests were so limited that only people who had fevers were being tested.

"Then on the 18th of

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SOUTH HAVEN

Ellen Avery Park neighbors offer to pay to help protect park

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

SOUTH HAVEN — For the past decade, several neighbors whose homes are located next to Ellen Avery Park have taken great pride in helping the city of South Haven maintain it. They even help pay for the maintenance. The park contains a variety of plantings and a clock tower, paid for by SHOUT for South Haven, a nonprofit group that seeks to beautify the town.

So when the Ellen Avery Park neighbors looked out of their windows this past year to see the park continually flood due to the record-high water levels on Lake Michigan and the Black River channel, they became increasingly concerned.

"The waves come over and wash out the sidewalk," said Ron Wiser, who lives several homes away from the park, which is at the southern end of North Shore Drive, right next to the channel. "We have a constant maintenance problem west of the sidewalk where it washes out. It's caused a lot of damage to the park. Now there's holes there (in the sidewalk). I think there's a couple of major liability issues."

But rather than simply complain about the problem, Wiser and several other neighbors are doing something about it.

They've offered to pay half the cost for installation of a 160-foot-long steel retaining wall along the Black River, two feet higher than the existing one located near the park, and placing steel sheeting along an existing 40-foot-long hand-rail on the pier, nearby.

"As property owners of 27 North Shore Drive for over 20 years, we have seen the end of North Shore Drive go from a wasteland to a premier garden and city park," Patrick Allkins and Jan Frizzo wrote in a letter to city council members. "Ron Wiser and we paid for the completion of Ellen Avery Park, and we pay 100 percent of the yearly maintenance of the park. We want to ensure that Ellen Avery Park is preserved for future generations."

City engineer Mike Dopp explained in a memo to city officials how the $45,000 project can prevent the ongoing flooding of the park and its parking lot.

"The plan is intended to prevent the river water from being able to rise above the existing steel sheeting wall and thus prevent the accumulation of water in the park

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Photo provided / Edgewater Resources

Flooding takes place in the fall of 2019 at Ellen Avery Park in South Haven. The flooding is undermining the parking lot and sidewalks, and damaging plants and flowers that grow in the park.

Trump offers dispersal of DC protests as the model for states

By ZEKE MILLER, JONATHAN LEMIRE and MICHAEL BALSAMO
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WASHINGTON — Claiming he is backed by a "silent majority," President Donald Trump turned the nation's capital into a model for the overwhelming force he believes critical to stop sometimes-violent protests that have spread across the country in a time of racial unrest. His tactics were decried Tuesday by some fellow Republicans as well as his presumptive Democratic opponent.

The violent dispersal of peaceful protests near the White House the night before was a potent symbol of Trump's policing tactics and a physical manifestation of the rhetorical culture war he has stoked since before he was elected. Moments after historic Lafayette Park was cleared, Trump walked across to pose with a Bible in front of a church damaged by fire during protests the previous evening.

"D.C. had no problems last night. Many arrests. Great job done by all. Overwhelming force. Domination," Trump tweeted Tuesday, after a night in which heavily armed military forces and federal officers swarmed the city. Trump added: "(thank you President Trump!)."

The president wanted to make the aggressive action in the nation's capital

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Transportation Authority lands $2.4M federal grant

Bus transfer station proposed at old Roxy's location in downtown BH

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — The former Roxy's Hamburgers in Benton Harbor may one day be a bus transfer station, said Executive Director Paul Gillespie of the Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority (TCATA).

TCATA board members approved a resolution last week asking Gillespie to pursue that possibility. The former Roxy's is across the street from the Benton Harbor Dial-A-Ride building at 275 E. Wall St.

"The idea has been in the back of my mind since I first started here last summer," he said.

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Plans are being considered to create a transfer station at the former Roxy's Hamburger restaurant, located across the street from the Dial-A-Ride offices on Main Street in downtown Benton Harbor.

He said he was initially thinking it would be nice to open the bus transfer station in 2024, when TCATA celebrates its 50th year in business.

But the COVID-19 pandemic has made him see the need to accelerate the process.

He said the current building was built in 1989, when TCATA didn't have any fixed routes. It only provided on-demand services, so people were rarely waiting at the building to catch a bus.

Now, he said TCATA has three fixed routes. And before the pandemic, Berrien Bus had three fixed routes, which he said he assumes will come back. He said buses from all six routes converged in Benton Harbor.

"It was never designed as a place for people to wait," he said. "We're having issues with people waiting on the two outside benches here at the station. It's really not an ideal situation for social distancing. We want a more suitable place for people to wait."

He said the current building would continue to house TCATA's administration and maintenance.

The recent announcement that TCATA is receiving $2.4 million from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act has made the

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March, I felt like I got punched in the stomach," Thompson said.

In addition to severe abdominal pain, he lost his sense of smell and taste and experienced muscle aches, a dry cough and shortness of breath. Test results then confirmed that he had COVID-19.

Thompson did not require hospitalization during his battle with the disease, but he said it's an experience he doesn't want to repeat.

After being sick for 15 days, he returned to work but still had significant fatigue that lasted another two weeks.

Thompson said the stay-at-home order and the closing of many businesses helped slow the spread of COVID-19, but he's glad to see things start to open back up.

"Behind the curve of illness and death from COVID-19, we're seeing a shadow curve of other problems," he said. "Delayed diagnosis of cancer, failure to address heart attacks. I'm seeing more of that in the office now than COVID. I'm seeing more people with their diabetes and heart failure out of control."

This is because people were afraid to go to the emergency room for other problems, for fear of catching the virus.

Harrison agreed that it is time to start opening up society, as long as it is done wisely.

"Wearing a mask is actually a very easy thing to do," he said. "Sure, it's a little annoying, but wearing a mask is worth it when you compare the hassle of wearing a mask in public with the 1-2 percent chance that you could be deathly ill. It's worth the trouble."

Besides opening a COVID-19 clinic, Thompson also is donating his plasma as often as possible to help people who have the disease recover.

And he said the disruption in people's lives has given them a chance to reflect on what's important.

In his case, Thompson said the change in routine has given him a chance to eat dinner at home with his family.

"I've always been working some evenings for the last 25 years," he said. "I didn't get home to eat meals with my family very much. But with the shut down, I've been working a lot more mornings and was able to eat meals with my family, and that's something I think we're going to continue."

Thompson has five children, with four still at home.

"We're going to come through this stronger," he said.

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possibility even more feasible, he said.

Gillespie said the possibility of turning the former Roxy's into a bus transfer station is in its infancy. He said TCATA would need to buy the building and get all of the required permissions from the state and federal government.

"I think this is going to be a popular thing," he said. "I've had a lot of positive feedback. This building has sat empty for 20-30 years."

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LOTTERIES

Tuesday drawings

Michigan

Poker Lotto
AC-AD-AS-9C-2H
Midday Daily 3
6-0-6
Midday Daily 4
1-6-1-0
Daily 3
3-4-8
Daily 4
6-3-3-8
Fantasy 5
05-16-19-29-30
Keno
09-15-22-24-25-26-27-32-37-49-51-52-55-57-59-60-61-65-71-74-76-77
Mega Millions jackpot
$356 million
Powerball jackpot
$135 million

Monday drawings

Indiana

Cash 5
08-14-23-32-38
Estimated jackpot
$75,000
Cash4Life
08-17-24-33-48, Cash Ball: 3
Quick Draw Midday
01-09-11-22-24-31-32-33-36-38-40-42-43-47-49-52-67-72-74-78, BE: 36
Daily Three-Midday
3-5-9, SB: 3
Daily Three-Evening
6-7-8, SB: 6
Daily Four-Midday
1-3-5-2, SB: 3
Daily Four-Evening
6-9-8-6, SB: 6
Quick Draw Evening
04-13-14-15-16-18-19-30-34-35-36-46-48-58-63-66-68-69-79-80, BE: 46

Illinois

Lotto
11-15-27-28-33-44, Extra Shot: 7
Estimated jackpot
$13.75 million
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
04-06-08-15-23
Estimated jackpot
$150,000
Pick Three-Midday
6-8-8, Fireball: 8
Pick Three-Evening
5-6-6, Fireball: 3
Pick Four-Midday
9-8-2-8, Fireball: 2
Pick Four-Evening
5-0-0-1, Fireball: 6
Lucky Day Lotto
01-04-27-33-40
Estimated jackpot
$200,000

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Kalamazoo cleans up; not our 'finest hour,' chief says

KALAMAZOO (AP) — Police officers in Kalamazoo were outnumbered 50-to-1 before using tear gas and chemical spray in the wee hours Tuesday to get rid of protesters and stop damage at downtown businesses, authorities said.

"It was not our community's finest hour," said Karianne Thomas, chief of public safety.

Meanwhile, Michigan football coach Jim Harbaugh and area police leaders joined protesters in a peaceful march in Ann Arbor. Harbaugh, wearing a Michigan-themed face mask, walked next to a man with a "Black Lives Matter" sign.

In Kalamazoo, police said peaceful protests Monday over the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis turned violent at night as officers and vehicles were pelted with rocks and bottles.

More than 25 downtown businesses and two patrol cars were damaged, an officer was injured and six people were arrested, Thomas said.

Jenna Kieser / AP

A demonstrator wears a mask during a peaceful protest in Ann Arbor on Tuesday. Ann Arbor police chief Michael Cox and other officers walked with demonstrators marching for justice for George Floyd

"We hear you. Black lives matter," City Manager Jim Ritsema said, speaking outdoors to reporters and the public. "I haven't experienced your pain but I feel it."

Assistant Chief Vernon Coakley said Kalamazoo was swarmed with hundreds of vehicles, many of them speeding or ignoring one-way street signs. He said there was "credible intel" that people from outside the region had targeted Kalamazoo.

"Those groups began to outnumber law enforcement 50 to 1," he said.

"We're at a fork in the road, and it's a big fork. Let's continue to work together," Coakley, who is black, said in a plea to the community "Mr. Floyd needs to be the last one. I'm angry. ... That's not what a million and one officers do every day."

In Detroit, Mayor Mike Duggan was heartened by an orderly protest Monday, the fourth consecutive day of demonstrations. An 8 p.m. curfew remained in place Tuesday.

"Nobody threw a stone. ... No one shot any tear gas canisters. We can do this without tearing down our city," Duggan said.

He praised a teenager, Stefan Perez, who rode a bus to join the protest and then urged the throng to obey the curfew and go home.

"Sixteen years old – and he just wants a world where he doesn't have to be afraid when he's stopped by a police officer," the mayor said.

Perez and Duggan talked by phone.

"The people followed me into battle, and I'm glad that I was able to get them home safely," the teen said.

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and parking lot due to the wave action," he wrote.

Originally, city officials were eying installation of a 185-foot-long Tiger dam, estimated to cost $30,000. But the neighbors who live near the park and who helped build it to begin with, think the steel retaining wall may be more effective.

"This would help protect against excessive flooding in Ellen Avery Park, and the entire end of North Shore Drive, including public and handicap parking spaces," Allkins and Frizzo wrote in a letter to the city council.

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The former Roxy's Hamburger restaurant in downtown Benton Harbor has been proposed as the site of a new transfer station for Benton Harbor Dial-A-Ride.

"In addition, it would help to prevent closure of public sidewalks and walkways, as well as city walkway lights that have been undermined due to erosion. This includes sidewalks in the city's pier to the pier walk."

Although city staff agree the steel sheeting will stop flooding from occurring in the park and parking lot, it won't stop some high-water issues, especially when there are storms that cause waves to surge from Lake Michigan into the channel.

After discussing the neighbor's proposal two weeks ago, city council members on Monday gave the green light for the project to proceed and to split the cost with the homeowners. However, the planning commission and harbor commission will also have to review and approve the plan before it can proceed.

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– where he wields disproportionate powers – an example for the rest of the country, a senior White House official said Tuesday, speaking on condition of anonymity because the official was not authorized to discuss internal thinking. Trump hoped his personal walk to the church, after federal officials dispersed protesters, would send a message about how dominant force could restore law and order.

The president has threatened that if states do not take tough enough action, he will deploy active duty military across the country to quell unrest in the wake of the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

"SILENT MAJORITY!" Trump tweeted Tuesday, embracing a phrase popularized by President Richard Nixon decades ago, in claiming broad support for his actions. Trump also emphasized the political importance of the moment to his supporters on Twitter and declared that "My Admin has done more for the Black Community than any President since Abraham Lincoln."

The District of Columbia's federal status gives the president outsized authority to act, allowing him to direct the deployment of the National Guard. He authorized Attorney General William Barr to oversee a surge in the deployment of federal law enforcement officers, including the FBI's Hostage Rescue Team and agents from the Drug Enforcement Agency.

Defense Secretary Mark Esper and Gen. Mark Milley, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, sought to distance themselves from Monday night's events after former military officials criticized their appearance with the president. Senior defense officials told reporters the two were not aware that the Park Police and law enforcement had made a decision to clear the square or that Trump intended to visit the church. They had been in Washington to coordinate with federal law enforcement officials but were diverted to the White House to brief Trump on military preparations, the officials said.

Former Vice President Joe Biden, the presumptive Democratic presidential nominee, said of Trump posing for photos holding up a Bible: "I just wish he opened it once in a while."

And D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser said of the routing of the protesters, "At no time do we think it was appropriate that people who had not violated the curfew or anything else received that treatment."

Democrats weren't the only ones saying Trump had gone too far.

"There is no right to riot, no right to destroy others' property, and no right to throw rocks at police," said Nebraska Republican Sen. Ben Sasse. "But there is a fundamental – a constitutional – right to protest, and I'm against clearing out a peaceful protest for a photo op that treats the Word of God as a political prop."

It was Barr who gave the order Monday afternoon for law enforcement to clear out the protest before Trump's walk to the church and ahead of Washington's 7 p.m. curfew. Officials said the decision to clear the park was made earlier in the day in response to violence the night before.

Trump also ordered military aircraft to fly above Washington on Monday night as a "show of force," according to two Defense Department officials. They said the U.S. military and National Guard were operating under the mission name "Operation Themis." In Greek mythology, Themis is a titaness of divine law and order, whose symbols are the scales of justice.

Execution of the order to clear the park created striking split-screen images as officers deployed pepper spray, flash bangs and mounted units to break up the peaceful protest even as Trump was in the Rose Garden saying he supported the rights of peaceful protesters. Chemical remnants still hung in the air as he walked to the church.

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Berrien expands data dashboard, phases out daily updates

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — The Berrien County Health Department (BCHD) is adding more sets of COVID-19 data to its data dashboard as it phases out daily updates and moves to weekly.

"Accuracy and transparency are paramount as we continue to respond to this pandemic," Nicki Britten, health officer for the BCHD, said in a news release Tuesday. "We continue to expand and improve data reporting to make sure the public understands the trends and context behind the numbers so they know where their community stands with the COVID-19 outbreak."

The dashboard, at www.bchdmi.org/COVID19, will now include metrics such as the weekly average of percent positive COVID-19 tests, percentage point difference in positive tests from the previous week to show a trend, trends for inpatient hospitalizations census by date, and total number of tests completed, cumulatively and per week, according to the release.

This data is in addition to the original information on the dashboard, which includes the confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 in Berrien County; information on those who have recovered from or died as a result of the virus; an interactive map of COVID-19 cases by ZIP code; demographic breakdowns of cases, deaths, and recoveries; and charts showing trends in cases over time.

With this expanded data, and the state's MI Safe Start Map, the BCHD will start phasing out its daily COVID-19 updates on its social media channels.

Moving forward, the health department will give weekly trend analysis on Fridays to better interpret the data and to offer more meaning and context behind the numbers.

While the state data and local data may differ slightly, Berrien County leaders are looking closely at the overall trends presented in the data, instead of tracking information solely day by day, according to the release.

Though the dashboard shows which ZIP codes have the most cases, it does not include information like how or where the virus is being transmitted, nor does it show where individuals were exposed to the disease.

The BCHD noted in the news release that because this information isn't easily available, residents are asked to take precautions wherever they live, such as maintaining a social distance of six feet or more from others when in public, wearing a face covering in enclosed public places, staying home when they feel sick, and keeping up with rigorous hand hygiene.

Tuesday count update

Berrien County added seven confirmed COVID-19 cases, four presumed cases, 34 recoveries and one death Tuesday.

There are now about 66 active COVID-19 cases in the county. That's 28 less than on Monday.

Cumulatively there have been 636 COVID-19 cases, 197 presumed COVID-19 cases, 517 recoveries and 53 deaths.

Spectrum Health Lakeland was treating seven COVID-19 patients as of Tuesday morning, with three of those in the intensive care unit. That's two more hospitalized than on Monday.

Cass County added one COVID-19 case Tuesday, bringing its total to 83 cases. The county still has three deaths and 35 recoveries.

Van Buren County added three cases on Tuesday, bringing its total to 147 cases. The county still has six deaths and 79 recoveries.

Local COVID-19 numbers and information can be found at www.bchdmi.org, and at www.vbcassdhd.org/covid-19. For state numbers, visit www.michigan.gov/coronavirus.

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KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

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A sign along the bluff in downtown St. Joseph encourages social distancing Tuesday as the state slowly continues to open after being shut down for months due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Kate Hosier named interim city manager for South Haven

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

HOSIER

SOUTH HAVEN — City council members in South Haven have taken their first step in finding a replacement for City Manager Brian Dissette, who's leave at the end of this month to become administrator for Berrien County.

The council voted Monday to appoint Assistant City Manager Kate Hosier to serve as interim city manager.

She will serve in that capacity until the council determines its next steps for choosing a new city manager, according to South Haven Mayor Scott Smith.

"She's the logical choice for interim city manager," Smith said.

Council members chose Hosier as interim manager based in part on a very favorable recommendation from Dissette.

"She has more training and education that I did when I started as city manager," Dissette said.

Hosier has been assistant city manager and harbormaster since 2016. Prior to that she served as deputy city clerk.

Over the years working for the city, Hosier has served as liaison for several authorities, boards and commissions, including the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, Harbor Commission, Local Development Finance Authority, Planning Commission, and Zoning Board of Appeals. She also has been involved with a variety of projects including partnerships with JHUDS, LLC and Housing Next, to focus on economic development and affordable housing. Outside of her job, Hosier is a board member for the South Haven Area Chamber of Commerce and Our Town Players.

She is a 1996 South Haven High School graduate who earned a law degree from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School. Prior to working at city hall, she was employed with the South Haven Police Department as a dispatcher, and worked for the city marinas.

Candlelight ceremony planned Thursday

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — People looking for a way to peacefully show their support for racial justice and the end to police brutality can take part in a candlelight ceremony at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Mac and Sharon Brown are holding a the ceremony at the African American History and Literature Gallery, 725 Broadway, Benton Harbor.

Sharon Brown said this event is meant to be more than a vigil. She said it needs to become a lifestyle for people seeking an end to discrimination.

"We are asking people to make a personal commitment to put the candle in the window of their home or business establishment and say, 'This business serves humanity,'" she said. "... You're making a commitment to be part of the change. Do what's right for humanity."

The Browns are asking that people wear face masks and maintain social distancing due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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UWSM kicks off Christmas in June food drive online

By HP STAFF

ST. JOSEPH — The United Way of Southwest Michigan (UWSM) is now accepting donations for its annual Christmas in June food drive, but in a little bit of a different way than in years past.

The fourth annual food drive this year will be done via online donations, while the food will be bought for the donors, due to the coronavirus pandemic.

"We had to come up with a different way of helping food pantries this year, and our 'digital food drive' is simple and easy since it can be done without even leaving home," Charlotte Becker, director of annual campaign at UWSM, said in a news release. "The need is tremendous this year, and everyone who donates will make a big impact on families in our community."

Donations will benefit 38 pantries across Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties that are fully stocked during the winter months due to holiday donations, but struggle in the summer.

To donate, visit the "Christmas in June" page at uwsm.org, pick how much you want to spend, and UWSM will make sure each pantry gets exactly what it needs.

For example, a $10 gift buys 28 items, which will provide 13 meals, or three days of food, for a family of four. A $150 gift buys 402 items, which will provide 138 meals, or about a months worth of food, for a family of four.

Donations can be made in various intervals or by picking your own amount.

Last year, the Christmas in June food drive collected about 20,000 items.

For more information, visit uwsm.org.

Napier water main construction in July

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — In an effort to save on construction costs, Benton Township is opting to have a water main project completed simultaneously with a Berrien County Road Department repaving effort.

At Tuesday's virtual board meeting, township trustees agreed to hire Pajay, Inc. for the water main construction work along Colfax Avenue, from Napier Avenue to Clardelle Avenue.

The project was chosen by the township for completion prior to the upcoming repaving of Napier Avenue by the county. Pajay, a New Buffalo company, was the lowest bidder, at $275,610.

Three bids were received on May 28, which also included Kalin Construction's bid of $323,561 and Northern Construction Services' bid of $325,405.

Trustees also agreed to hire Prein & Newhof for engineering services for the project. Prein & Newhof will bill the township on a monthly basis with the total not to exceed $37,500.

The firm has been the recurring engineer service for the township's water and sewer system projects.

Prein & Newhof played an integral part in developing the township's capital improvement plan that was approved by the board in early 2020.

Construction is tentatively scheduled from July 6-24.

Steve Oosting, of Prein & Newhof, said the timeline for the project was established with the Berrien County Road Department to coordinate with the upcoming Napier Avenue repaving projects.

"The county has planned to repave Napier Avenue for some time. We always plan to coordinate between underground infrastructure and road construction projects," Oosting said. "With this stretch of road being a high-traffic location, it is particularly important to get the underground work done."

Oosting said the project falls under the capital improvement plan and was envisioned to go further east along Napier Avenue. However, the scope of the project was later reduced.

"This is a location where there is no public water main, partly due to the way the township water system was separated from the city's several years ago," Oosting said. "This is for the purpose of improving water flow and water quality to surrounding water systems."

At the end of the meeting, Supervisor Cathy Yates gave an update on the township and its current situation regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

Yates said she and several other township officials are working on a plan to reopen township buildings by June 15. However, only so many people will be allowed in the building at one time. People will also be required to wear masks.

The next board meeting is at 5:30 p.m on June 16 at Benton Township Hall.

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Upton meets with EPA administrator in St. Joseph

By HP STAFF

ST. JOSEPH — U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Andrew Wheeler made a stop at the North Pier in St. Joseph with U.S. Congressman Fred Upton on Tuesday, touting Trump administration initiatives.

"Michigan has proved to be an important partner to President Trump as we work together on achieving improved environment outcomes. Southwest Michigan is benefiting from cleaner air, a cleaner Lake Michigan, and major settlement to clean-up the Kalamazoo Superfund site," said Wheeler in a news release. "With environmental gains comes higher property values, improved water quality, and new economic opportunities for tourism, agriculture, and manufacturing. It's exciting to see so much progress being made on the environment across the region."

Upton said he was glad to meet with Wheeler.

"I was honored to join Administrator Wheeler to highlight efforts across the board to clean up our environment and support our Great Lakes for generations to come. In our discussions today, Administrator Wheeler and I expressed a shared commitment to further protect the health and safety of our air, water, and all of our environment," said Upton, R-St. Joseph.

Wheeler and Upton also toured the Allied Paper/Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund site. Initially listed on the National Priorities List in 1990, last year EPA, U.S. Department of Justice, the Kalamazoo River Natural Resource Trustee Council, and Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy announced a $245 million proposed consent decree that would require NCR Corp. to clean up and fund future response actions at a significant portion of the site.

During the tour they visited several sites along the Kalamazoo River near Otsego and viewed recently completed work, including new public access areas.

Wheeler and Upton finished the day on a boat tour of Lake Michigan with the U.S. Coast Guard highlighting progress to clean up and restore the Great Lakes.

BEETLE BAILEY

DON'T YOU NEED TO GET MY SIGNATURE ON THAT REPORT?
I ALREADY SIGNED IT AND SENT IT, SIR
IT LOOKS JUST LIKE YOUR REAL SIGNATURE
GREG + MORT WALKER
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SIGNING STUFF WAS ONE OF THE LAST THINGS LEFT THAT MADE ME FEEL IMPORTANT
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BLONDIE

BY THE WAY, I ALWAYS RAVE TO MY FRIENDS ABOUT YOUR CATERING SKILLS
THAT'S VERY NICE! THANK YOU
WHOA! I JUST HAD A FABULOUS IDEA!
IF YOU CATER MY BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR FREE THIS YEAR, I'LL HAVE EVEN MORE TO RAVE ABOUT!
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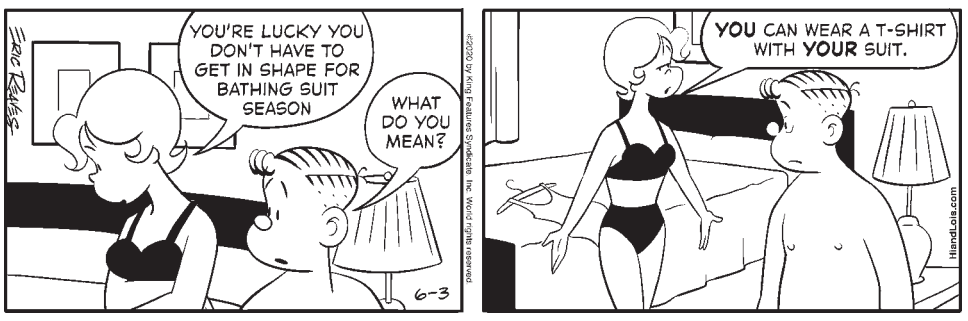
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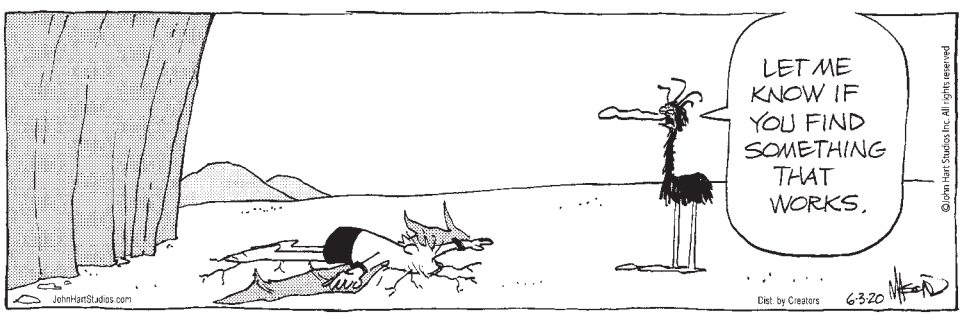
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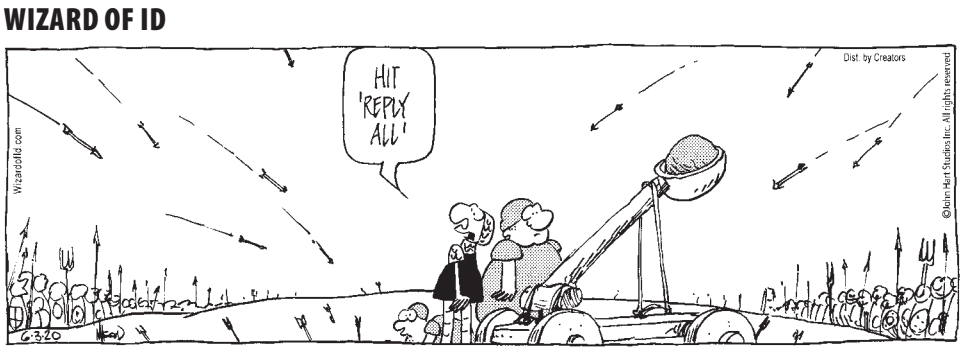

DILBERT

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF MY IDEA?
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TO BE HONEST, I DIDN'T HEAR A WORD OF IT. I SPENT THE WHOLE TIME BEING WORRIED ABOUT THAT BEAD OF SWEAT ON YOUR FOREHEAD.
IT'S WARM IN HERE!
IF YOU NEED ME, I'LL BE A THOUSAND YARDS IN THAT DIRECTION.
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GARFIELD

FORT KNOX

FRANK, I HEARD YOU'RE TAKING LOTS OF VITAMINS.
YES AND I'VE NEVER FELT BETTER.
FINE-TUNED MAN
I USED TO TAKE VITAMINS TOO, BUT I HAD TROUBLE GETTING THEM DOWN.
HEALTH FREAK!
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WAS IT THE SIZE OF THE VITAMINS?
JAM BAH
NO, THE VODKA.
SMOO THee
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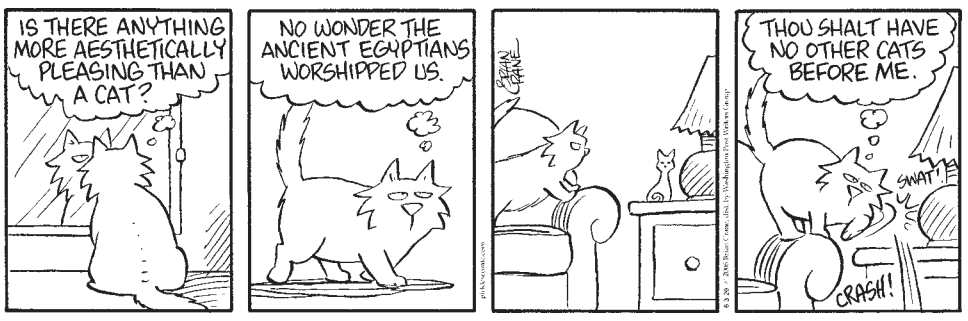
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NO WONDER THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS WORSHIPPED US.
THOU SHALT HAVE NO OTHER CATS BEFORE ME.
SWAT!
CRASH!
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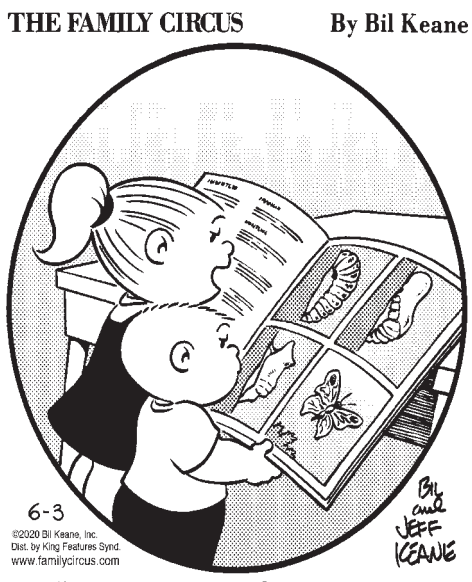
THE FAMILY CIRCUS
By Bil Keane
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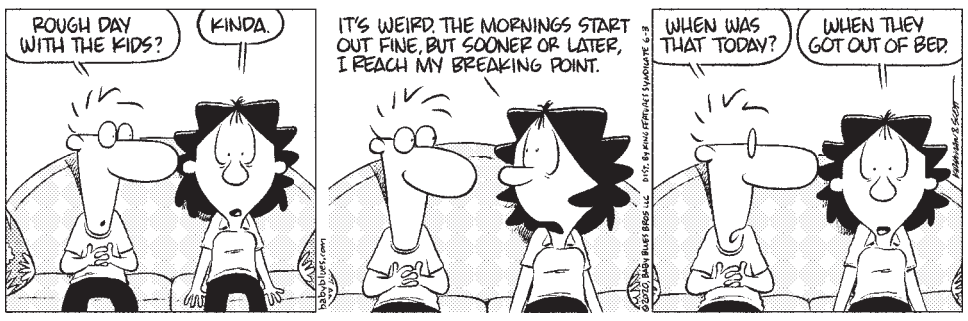
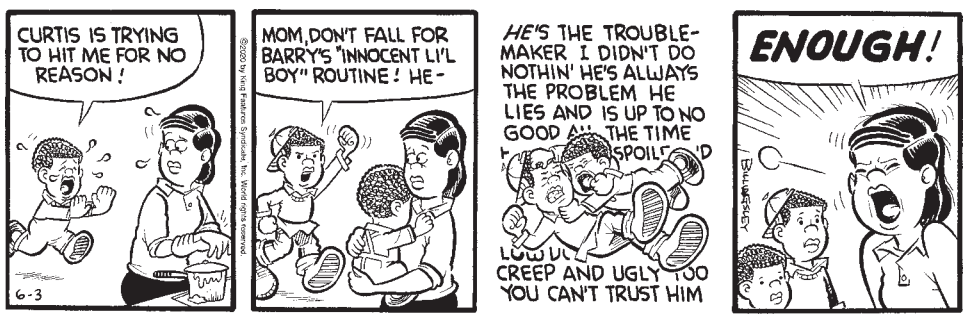
Bil and JEFF KEANE
"Then the caterpillar gets out of quarantine and flies away as a butterfly."

DENNIS THE MENACE

BABY BLUES


ROUGH DAY WITH THE KIDS?
KINDA.
IT'S WEIRD. THE MORNINGS START OUT FINE, BUT SOONER OR LATER, I REACH MY BREAKING POINT.
WHEN WAS THAT TODAY?
WHEN THEY GOT OUT OF BED.
babyblues.com

CURTIS


CURTIS IS TRYING TO HIT ME FOR NO REASON!
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MOM, DON'T FALL FOR BARRY'S "INNOCENT LI'L BOY" ROUTINE! HE-
HE'S THE TROUBLE-MAKER I DIDN'T DO NOTHIN' HE'S ALWAYS THE PROBLEM HE LIES AND IS UP TO NO GOOD A... THE TIME
CREEP AND UGLY TOO
YOU CAN'T TRUST HIM
ENOUGH!

ZITS

BEFORE WE REMODELED THE UPSTAIRS, THIS USED TO BE THE MASTER BEDROOM.
WAIT- SO IT'S POSSIBLE THAT I WAS CONCEIVED IN MY OWN BEDROOM??
YOU WANT US TO FUMIGATE FOR WHAT??
KTER
SCOTT and BERGMAN

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

I HAVE A GOOD WIFE!
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SHE KEEPS ME ON THE STRAIGHT AND NARROW!
MAKE UP YOUR MIND!
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MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM

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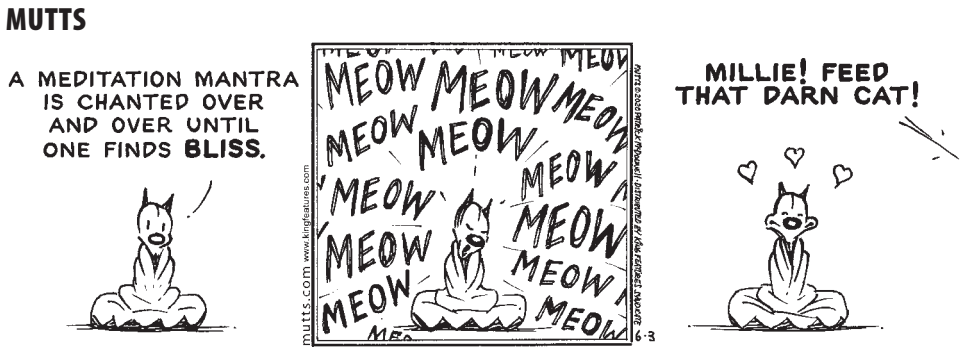
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MILLIE! FEED THAT DARN CAT!

SALLY FORTH

OKAY, FIRST, WE'RE NOT MOVING. AT LEAST ANY-TIME SOON.
WE'RE NOT?! REALLY?! THAT'S THE BEST NEWS EVER!
WELL, BECAUSE THERE REALLY AREN'T ANY NEW JOBS OUT THERE RIGHT NOW. IN FACT, IT'S GETTING HARD FOR ME TO LAND ANY FREELANCE PROJECTS HERE AS WELL.
SO...SO I GOT WHAT I HAD WISHED FOR AND WE'RE WORSE OFF THAN EVER?
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KEEFE
OKAY, UNLESS ONE OF YOUR ONLINE CLASSES IS WITH PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL, YOUR WISH COULD NOT HAVE CAUSED THIS.
THIS IS ALL MY FAULT!
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OBITUARIES

Jane Marie Hiler

April 16, 1931 – May 31, 2020

Jane embarked on her journey to be with God, peacefully at her home on the evening of May 31, 2020.

She was born April 16, 1931, to John and Elsie (Paul) Nothdruft. Jane graduated from Watervliet High School in 1949, and married Vernon Hiler June 11, 1949. She farmed with Vern in Bainbridge Township for many years. She also worked as an educator on many levels, including multiple positions working with young people with learning disabilities. Jane also spent time working in the criminal justice system with juveniles with learning disabilities. Her career in education started with teaching elementary at St. Joseph Catholic School in Watervliet, then the juvenile justice system, and she retired as an administrator for the Lewis Cass Intermediate School System.

Jane was very proud of her educational accomplishments. She earned an associate's in liberal arts from Lake Michigan College, then a bachelor's in liberal arts from Western Michigan University and a master's in special education from Western Michigan University. As is true with any good teacher, her education didn't end there, and she took various continuing education classes through Michigan State University and Grand Valley State University. Jane also earned two degrees through Notre Dame's Graduate Studies Division in School Administration and Individual Rites in the Criminal Justice System. She was a member of the Michigan Association of Learning Disability Educators, member of Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, Continuing Education National Juvenile Detention Association, was awarded the Golden Nugget Award by the Council for Exceptional Children, and was a member of the Phi Theta Kappa Collegiate Honor Society.

Jane still found time to participate in the ministry formation program with the Archdiocese of Kalamazoo. She spent two years with the Peace Corps, serving in Jamaica. She also helped open the first migrant day care in Sodus and was a foreign exchange student coordinator for Berrien County.

Outside of all her accomplishments and passions, her greatest joy was raising and enjoying her loving family, which includes: four children, Bruce (Elaine) Hiler of Virginia, Patricia Molter of Bainbridge Township, Therese (Frank) Simanton of Sister Lakes and Jon (Cheryl) Hiler of Indianapolis; five grandchildren: Holland Hiler, Angie Molter, Allison (Kevin) Norton, Frank (Rosie) Simanton Jr., and Brenen Hiler; and two great-grandchildren.

Her loving husband, Vern; oldest son, Gary Hiler; and her parents precede Jane in death.

Jane was one of a kind and all that knew her are better for the time spent with her. She cherished her children and grandchildren. Jane lived an amazing life and was an amazing woman. Her strength, compassion and general enthusiasm for life and family inspired us all. Jane enjoyed travels, especially with family members, cherished family gatherings at her home and was passionate about learning and insuring that all had opportunities for education.

She will be greatly missed and always remembered as feisty, loving, strong and always being her authentic self. We loved Jane. May she rest in peace.

Hutchins Funeral Home has been entrusted to assist Jane's family with cremation. She will be buried later next to her husband in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. You are invited to leave a message of comfort for Jane's family at hutchins funeral.com.

Richard H. 'Papa Joe' Joseph

June 10, 1926 – March 24, 2020

Richard H. "Papa Joe" Joseph, 93, of Benton Harbor passed away at his home on Tuesday, March 24, 2020.

A memorial graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 10, at North Shore Memory Gardens, Coloma, with Father Adams officiating. In respect for social distancing, please remain by your vehicles during the graveside committal service. Memorial contributions may be made to Caring Circle or American Legion Post 105. Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

See more obituaries on A7

Gastroparesis treated primarily with diet

DEAR DOCTOR: My husband started having a lot of stomach pain and was also feeling queasy. Needless to say, I feared the worst – cancer – but, instead, his doctor says it's gastroparesis. Is it dangerous? What's the best treatment?

DEAR READER: Gastroparesis is the name of a condition in which the stomach is slow to empty its contents into the small intestine. This isn't due to any type of blockage. Instead, as the name of the condition suggests ("gastro" refers to the stomach, and "paresis" indicates nerve-related muscle weakness), the cause is a malfunction in the nerves that serve the region. This includes the vagus nerve, which animates the stomach muscles and helps send food to the small intestine. Symptoms include the pain and nausea your husband experienced, as well as poor appetite, feeling full after only small amounts of food or drink, heartburn and unintended weight loss.

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors

When functioning properly, the stomach takes about four hours to saturate its contents with gastric juices, break everything up into smaller particles and pass the majority of it along to the small intestine. For people living with gastroparesis, the process takes significantly longer.

The result is delayed digestion, which can lead to a range of problems. Food that remains in the stomach for too long is susceptible to fermentation, which can encourage the growth of bacteria. The condition can interfere with appetite and sometimes leads to malnutrition. When the contents of the stomach are stalled, they can coagulate into a mass known as a bezoar, which can cause a blockage. And for people living with diabetes, the delayed movement of food from the stomach to the small intestine can interfere with glucose control.

Gastroparesis is often seen in people living with diabetes, which can cause nerve damage. It may also arise as the result of viral stomach infections, hypothyroidism, certain autoimmune or neurological disorders, or surgical injury. It's a known (albeit rare) side effect of medications such as opioids, antihistamines, tricyclic antidepressants and calcium-channel blockers, which can impede digestion.

Diet is important in the management of gastroparesis, with an emphasis on nutrient density and ease of digestion. Patients are asked to eat small meals of soft, well-cooked food, and to avoid high-fat foods, which delay the emptying of the stomach. Foods high in fiber are difficult to digest and are also limited, or in some cases eliminated. Fruits and vegetables, which contain nondigestible fiber, should be served cooked, and in some cases pureed. For instance, instead of an apple, a patient will have a small serving of applesauce. They are also encouraged drink liquids that contain glucose and electrolytes, including clear soups, low-fat broths, low-fiber fruit and vegetable juices, or sports drinks. Since glucose control and malnutrition are both a challenge, many people with gastroparesis work with a registered dietitian.

When the condition can't be managed with diet, medications that cause the stomach to contract and emerging therapies such as electrical gastric stimulation may be an option. In severe cases, surgery may be necessary. We recommend that your husband seek out a gastroenterologist to fully assess his case and plan his treatment.

Eve Glazier, M.D., MBA, is an internist and associate professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Elizabeth Ko, M.D., is an internist and assistant professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Send your questions to askthedoctors@mednet.ucla.edu, or write: Ask the Doctors, c/o UCLA Health Sciences Media Relations, 10880 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1450, Los Angeles, CA, 90024. Owing to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

Radical empathy for judgmental grandmother

DEAR CAROLYN: My mom and I were never what I would call close, and things have been rocky, but in recent years we've both become more accepting of each other.

It's hard for me, though, when she criticizes my siblings. And in every call lately, with everyone working from home, she complains about my brother's parenting. (His son is my mom's only grandchild.) Her criticism started almost as soon as my nephew was born: "They are just slaves to that baby, all he has to do is open his mouth and they are right there," etc. Now she says he's making things harder for himself by not just telling his 4-year-old to entertain himself while Mommy and Daddy work.

Carolyn Hax

The thing is, when my mom says they should "let him cry" or "tell him to go away," I think of all the times she did just let me cry or tell me to go away, and how profoundly lonely and unloved I felt as a child.

I've been letting her vent a little bit, hoping that if she feels heard by me, she won't direct her criticisms at my brother as much. And I try to gently reframe things by saying, "They must be doing something right, nephew is a great kid," or, "Yeah, I can't even imagine how tough this is for them," which sometimes seems to work, but then the next phone call, she starts right back up.

She says she would never tell my brother how to parent, but she is really good at nonverbal communication – except at controlling it.

Should I be more direct with my mother? Tell her I don't want to talk about it? Or suck it up and keep letting her complain? – Anonymous

ANONYMOUS:: I realize how easy this is for me to say.

But I really, really hope you ask your mother, *gently*, next time she blathers on about how they should (oh, my) "tell him to go away": "Mom. Did your parents do that to you when you were little?"

You can either wait for her to answer, or continue: "If they did, then I'm sorry. It breaks my heart."

Radical empathy.

And then, regardless of how she responds – by doubling down, by softening, by ripping into you, with silence – stake out your own belief: "I love how much love they show that baby. I hope every baby on Earth gets that kind of attention."

To make your point, you don't have to connect these dots directly from her methods to your profound loneliness as a child. That is, unless she invites you in a genuine effort to connect, which I wouldn't expect. That's a lot of difficult, self-incriminating emotional bridges to cross, especially for someone who still, by all appearances, would rather normalize her pain than admit there were more nurturing, but still effective, paths that her parents – and she herself – could have taken.

And then: "You raised [Brother] to be a good dad, who married a good mom. Take a victory lap." Show what support looks like.

Having taken this clear stand – and allowed any dust or muck or rancor you've churned up to settle – then you can deflect your mother's negativity using shorthand. *Gently*: "Take the win, mom. They're really great parents." All love, no traction. Good luck.

Email Carolyn at tellme@washpost.com, follow her on Facebook at www.facebook.com/carolyn.hax or chat with her online at noon each Friday at www.washingtonpost.com.

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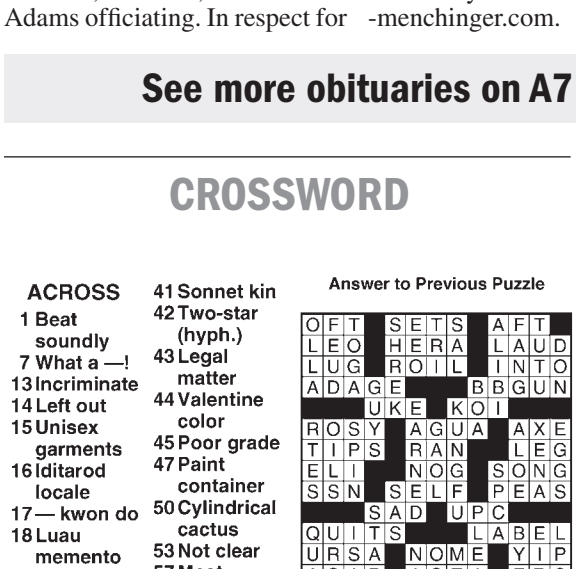

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JUMBLE

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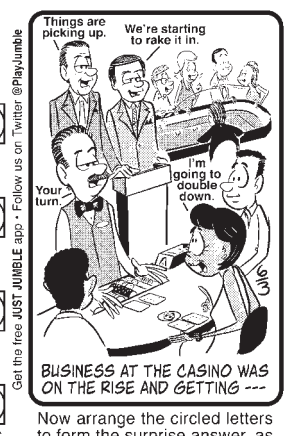
Things are picking up.
We're starting to rake it in.
Your turn.
I'm going to double down.
BUSINESS AT THE CASINO WAS ON THE RISE AND GETTING ---

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

" " AND " "

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: BOOTH DECAY UNWISE LAGOON
Answer: When the vain guy lost his last tuft of hair, — HE BAWLED

KAKURO

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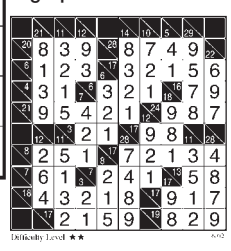
Difficulty Level ★★★ 6/03

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



BRIDGE

In "Nausea," Jean-Paul Sartre wrote, "Three o'clock is always too late or too early for anything you want to do." Presumably it is too late to have a post-lunchtime nap and too early for a cocktail.

However, some things go in threes. My last two columns featured bridge deals used by Charles Schulz in his "Peanuts" cartoon. Surprise, surprise – the day after yesterday's column, Snoopy returns to the aerodrome, ready to fight the Red Baron again. But his mechanics are playing today's deal.

Snoopy asks, "Can anyone tell me if my plane is ready?"

Woodstock replies something.

"Yes, I can see this is an important deal," comments Snoopy.

After a few more words from Woodstock, Snoopy says, "Yes, I realize you're not playing 'Old Maid.'"

South's jump to three hearts showed 9-11 points. In four hearts, declarer won the spade lead on the board and cashed the heart ace, happy to see the queen fall. He drew trumps, ending in hand, then had to gain three club tricks. Based on the bidding, East rated to be short in that suit. So South cashed his club king, played a club to the jack and claimed the ace to make his contract. Declarer won three spades, four hearts and three clubs.

It was probably lucky for North-South that East was the dealer. If North had been the dealer, he would have opened one no-trump, East would have overcalled two spades, and South might well have raised to three no-trump. Then East's secret weapon would have shot the contract from the sky.

North 06-03-20
♠ K J 7
♥ A K 10 9
♦ J 8 7
♣ A J 5

West
♠ 3
♥ 7 6 3 2
♦ 10 9 4
♣ Q 7 6 4 2

East
♠ 10 9 8 5 4 2
♥ Q
♦ A K Q 6 2
♣ 9

South
♠ A Q 6
♥ J 8 5 4
♦ 5 3
♣ K 10 8 3

Dealer: East
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
			1♠
Pass	Pass	Dbl.	2♦
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Opening lead: ♠ 3

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

8			1	9				6
6		1	5	2				
		2		4		9		
			9	8				4
	3			7			6	
7				6	1			
		5		3		4		
				5	9	2		3
3				1	8			7

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

9	5	3	1	4	8	2	6	7
8	2	7	3	5	6	1	4	9
4	6	1	9	7	2	8	5	3
6	1	8	5	2	3	9	7	4
2	4	9	6	1	7	3	8	5
7	3	5	8	9	4	6	2	1
3	8	4	7	6	1	5	9	2
5	7	6	2	3	9	4	1	8
1	9	2	4	8	5	7	3	6

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NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS

DATE OF PUBLICATION: JUNE 3, 2020

City of Benton Harbor
200 E. Wall Street
Benton Harbor, MI 49022 269-927-8420

This Notice shall satisfy the above-cited two separate but related notification requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Benton Harbor (City).

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about JUNE 10, 2020, the City of Benton Harbor (City) will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, as amended, to undertake the following project:

Project Title: Clay/Pipestone Water Main Replacement Project

Purpose: Replacement of water main along Clay and Pipestone Street. The intersection of Clay and Pipestone is located in the heart of the City, located just outside of downtown. In replacing the water main in this location, it is estimated that over 1,000 low-to-moderate income families will be serviced, as well as businesses and churches owned or operated by low-to-moderate income persons.

Location: Clay and Pipestone Streets, city of Benton Harbor, Berrien County, Benton Harbor, Michigan

Estimated Cost: $125,000 CDBG funds

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Benton Harbor has determined that the above referenced projects will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statements under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Records (ERR) on file at the City's Community & Economic Development Department, 200 E. Wall Street, Benton Harbor, MI 49022, and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE FINDING

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the above project may submit written comments to the Authority. All comments received by JUNE 10, 2020 will be considered by the City prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commenters should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City certifies to HUD that Ellis Mitchell in his capacity as the City Manager of the City consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process, and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City to use program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the City certification received by JUNE 10, 2020 or a period of fifteen days from its receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer or other officer of the City approved by HUD; (b) the City has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to HUD, Detroit Field Office, Office of Community Planning and Development, at the Patrick V. McNamara Federal Building, 477 Michigan Avenue, Room 1710, Detroit, MI 48226-2592. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Use your connections to your advantage. Reconnect with someone who may have a lead on a position that might interest you. Don't take a risk, and protect yourself against injury and illness.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Take time to explore new possibilities. A challenge will motivate you to start something that encourages you to use creative skills to benefit you mentally as well as financially.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may not like a change that's taking place, but in the end, there will be benefits you didn't anticipate. Sit tight and let things unfold naturally. Romance is on the rise.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Go about your business and stay out of trouble. Refuse to get involved in someone else's drama. Clear thoughts will prompt wise moves. A personal change will enhance your life.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Discipline will pay off. Do your best to learn all you can about an interest you want to pursue. Personal growth, physical improvements and a new beginning look promising.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It's time to update some of your die-hard beliefs before moving forward. Times and trends are changing, and updating your goals and how you go about achieving your dreams is encouraged.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Being secretive will benefit you in the end. Only share what's necessary and protect those you love from any outside interference. A financial plan will turn out better than anticipated.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't disregard what others do for you. Offering praise and credit for a job well done will encourage others to continue to please you. Be smart and reap the rewards.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Channel emotional energy into something creative or unique. How you spend your time will determine how much trouble you encounter. Idle time is the enemy. Personal improvement and romance are encouraged.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Look for creative outlets. Learning something new, consulting with an expert, spending time teaching others or expanding your personal and professional options will help you feel good about your future.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't quibble over something that doesn't matter. If you overreact, you will end up having regrets. Look at what you can do well and concentrate on personal goals.

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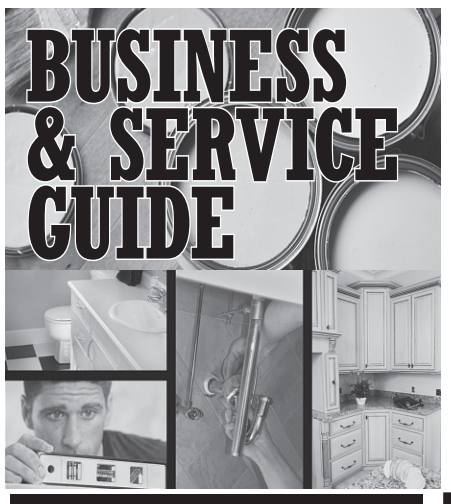

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OBITUARIES

Rosie Lee Moore

Aug. 3, 1945 – May 7, 2020

Rosie Lee Moore, 74, of Benton Harbor went home to be with the Lord on May 7, 2020.

A private family service was held. Those wishing to sign the guest book online may do so at www.robbinsbrothersfh.com.

Rosie was born Aug. 3, 1945, in Tupelo, Miss., to lria and Wallace Turner. She was baptized in Jesus' name at an early age and received the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Rosie was united in holy matrimony to James Moore Jr. on July 24, 1964, and was a devoted wife, loving mother, cherished sister, beautiful grandmother, caring aunt and loyal friend. She was an employee of Shoreham Terrace Nursing Home. Rosie was also a great cook and made the best caramel cake.

Rosie will be sadly missed by her husband, James Moore Jr.; sons, James Junior II and (Yvonne) Moore of Benton Harbor and Sirlen A. Moore of Kalamazoo, Mich.; one daughter, Mia Moore of Benton Harbor; and a host of nieces, nephews, grandchildren, cousins, saints and friends.

Rosie was preceded in death by a daughter, Kimmy L. Moore (Nash); a son, Dwayne A. Moore; her father, Wallace Turner; mother, Iria Turner; six sisters: Ida Rivera, Roxanne Turner, Dorothy McGinnis, Patsy Brooks, Benoria Seuell and Reggie Turner; and three brothers, Wallace Turner Jr., Elmer Turner and Jerry Turner.

Joyce Elaine (Larsen) Kolenko

Sept. 22, 1927 – June 1, 2020

Joyce Elaine (Larsen) Kolenko, formerly of Coloma, passed away on Monday, June 1, 2020, at St. Ann's Home in Grand Rapids, Mich., from complications of COVID-19. She was 92.

Joyce was born Sept. 22, 1927, in Temperance, Mich., to Earl and Helen Larsen. Her family moved around for several years before settling in Watervliet when she was a junior in high school. Joyce graduated from Watervliet High School in 1944. In 1948 she married John Kolenko of Watervliet.

Her greatest joy was her family, which included eight children as well as 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Aside from raising her children, Joyce found the time to work part-time at the Boston Store in Coloma and Watervliet for many years. She was active with the Altar and Rosary Society at St. Joseph Catholic Church and held many officer positions during that time. She was a former school board member at St. Joseph Catholic School and the Coloma school system. Upon retirement from the Boston Store, Joyce became a volunteer at Watervliet Community Hospital, managing the Park Bench Gift Shop for almost 20 years, volunteering over 10,000 hours! You could always count on being greeted with a warm hello and an infectious smile whenever you went into the gift shop.

As if not busy enough, she also directed the choir at St. Joseph Catholic Church, participated and assisted in organizing the World Day of Prayer with many other churches, and performed in the Messiah for many years as well. Music was yet another of her greatest loves and she had the voice of a songbird.

Joyce is survived by her children, Nancy (Greg) Nichols, John (Dawn) Kolenko, Julie (Dale) O'Chap, Martin Kolenko, Rebecca (Ken) Faultersack, Dan (Gail) Kolenko and Patrick Kolenko; daughter-in-law, Darlene Kolenko; her grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and her sister, Joan Baty.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, John; her son, Ted; sister, Doris Distefano; brother, Jack Larsen; and her parents.

The family will receive visitors from 5-8 p.m. Monday, June 8 at Hutchins Funeral Home. Due to current executive orders, those attending visitation will be asked to wear a mask and will be directed into the visitation rooms by Hutchins Funeral Home staff with no more than 10 people at a time, and social distancing will be maintained. The Celebration Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 9, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Watervliet, as guidelines will allow 150 people to attend with required masks and social distancing. A private burial for immediate family only will take place at St. Joseph's Cemetery following the funeral service. Family suggests memorial contributions be made in Joyce's memory to the Franciscan Life Process Center, 11650 Downes St. NE, Lowell, MI 49331, where a memorial tree will be planted in her memory.

Yvonne Norisa Post

Aug. 12, 1925 – June 1, 2020

Yvonne Norisa Post, R.N., 94, of Stevensville went home to be with her Lord and Savior on June 1, 2020, at the Hanson Hospice Center in Stevensville.

"He will give you victory. He will rejoice over you in great gladness. Is that a joyous choir I hear? No, it is the Lord exulting over you in a happy song." Zeb. 3:17-18. And with those words, Yvonne entered Heaven.

Arrangements are entrusted to Starks & Menchinger Chapel. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 6, at North Shore Memory Gardens in Coloma, with Pastor Bob Confer officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to: Heart of Lebanon, P.O. Box 1294, Black Mountain, NC 28711, for medical safety equipment and food bags for the refugee camps, or to Paws of Hope, P.O. Box 13, Stevensville MI 49127, where she adopted her cat Charlie, "the best cat ever!" Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Yvonne was born Aug. 12, 1925, at home in Benton Harbor, to James and Laurel (Badgley) Poziwilko. On May 16, 1948, she married Duane Post. Yvonne graduated from Benton Harbor High School in 1942 at the age of 16 years old. In 1946 she graduated from Wayne State University School of Nursing, under the Cadet Nursing program. She began and ended her nursing career at Mercy, Memorial and Lakeland Hospitals. Yvonne retired at the age of 84 after more than 55 years as house supervisor. She loved her "hospital family." Until her dying days, just the mention of how to start an IV would make her eyes sparkle.

Yvonne is survived by her children, Ted (Diana) Post, Jill Post and Diane (Gil) Rau; her beloved grandchildren, Tara (Jed) Reinhardt and Doug (Sarah) Rau; her deeply loved great-grandchildren: Jaxon and Avery Reinhardt and Luke, Jordan, Adrianna and Josiah Rau; brothers, Pat (Shirley) Poziwilko, Gene (Linda) Poziwilko and Dan Poziwilko; and sisters-in-law, JoAnn Poziwilko and Donna Klug; her devoted friend, P.J. Reynolds; and her faithful cat, Charlie.

Yvonne was preceded in death by her husband, Duane, in 1986; and brothers, Donald and Robert Poziwilko.

The family truly appreciates the dedicated and compassionate care given to Yvonne by the entire staff of the Hanson Hospice Center.

When you remember Yvonne, do it with a kind deed and always doing your best with a positive attitude.

"Well done, Yvonne, My good and faithful servant," Matt. 25:21.

James Moore Jr.

April 28, 1943 – May 26, 2020

Deacon James Moore Jr., 77, of Benton Harbor went home to be with the Lord on May 26, 2020.

A private family service will be held. Those wishing to sign the guest book online may do so at www.robbinsbrothersfh.com.

Deacon Moore was born April 28, 1943, in Duncan, Miss., to Irene Cooper Burks and James Moore Sr., and later stepdad, Charlie Burks. He met the love of his life in 1962, Rosie Lee Turner, and they were married in 1964. Deacon Moore and Rosie remained married 56 years, until her death.

Deacon Moore confessed his hope in Christ at an early age and received the gift of the Holy Spirit. He joined St. Mark MBC in 1966, sang in the male chorus and served as the head deacon. Deacon Moore was a devoted and loyal employee at Malleable Foundry. When they closed, he started working for Benton Harbor Area Schools until he retired.

Deacon Moore leaves to cherish his memories: daughters, Mia Jolanda Moore, Kamil Hyde and Monequa Hyde; sons, James Junior II (Yvonne) Moore, Sirlen A. Moore and Jermaine Hyde; sisters: Mary Ann Butler, Veola Burks, Sandra Hardin and Caster (Tyrone) Thomas; brothers, Robert (Ora) Burks, Bobby Burks and Johnny and Ricky Burks; and a host of family and friends.

Deacon Moore was preceded in death by his wife, Rosie Lee Moore; daughter, Kimmy L. Moore Nash; son, Dwayne A. Moore; parents, Irene Cooper Burks and James Moore Sr.; stepdad, Charlie Burks; sister, Doris Gross; and brothers Willie, Eddie, J.D., Earnest, Charlie Jr. and Melvin Burks

Margaret Jackson

Jan. 20, 1946 – May 26, 2020

Margaret Jackson passed away peacefully on May 26, 2020, in Douglasville, Ga., at the age of 74.

Margaret was born on Jan. 20, 1946, in Crowder, Miss., to Maggie Walls (Kilgore) and Curtis Kilgore Sr., but was raised by her Aunt Bea Willie Osby Camble and A.C. Camble in Benton Harbor. In Margaret's early years she moved to Rockford, Ill., where she was the owner of Ben's Kitchen restaurant. After about eight years, she moved to Syracuse, N.Y., to be closer to family, but later moved back to Benton Harbor to care for her "Daddy," A.C. Cambel. During that time she also met her longtime love, Leroy D. Jackson. They were married in 1978 and spent 32 loving years together.

In 1978 Leroy encouraged her to go back to school. That year Margaret achieved her GED as well as a beautician's license. Soon after she became owner and operator of Mrs. J's Beauty and Barber Supply. Later she worked for Spectrum Healthcare assisting the mentally ill.

Margaret's love for shopping and unique things led her to own several antique malls in Southwest Michigan – in Benton Harbor (Treasures), Niles and St. Joseph. You would often catch her saying "Shop 'til you drop ... Spend 'til the end!"

Margaret confessed her faith in God and became a member of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses 42 years ago. Margaret was a loving mother and grandmother who loved family, friends, shopping, traveling and artistic painting.

Around 1994 Margaret suffered a stroke which left her paralyzed on her right side. She also dealt with the debilitating effects of diabetes, which eventually left her blind. Through all of her physical struggles, Margaret remained as active as she could, and maintained a vibrant and positive outlook on life with the determination to live as full a life as she could. In 2013 her granddaughter, Glendra Camble, moved Margaret to Georgia, where she was cared for until her death.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Leroy D. Jackson; her son, Joe Camble; her sister, Beatrice Burns; and her brothers, Curtis Kilgore Jr. and Murphy Lee Ford.

Margaret is survived by her children, Rita Kilgore and Gardner Kilgore; siblings, Cleophus Kilgore and Andrew Kilgore; and her special childhood friend, Ann "Boosy" Smalls, who visited Margaret everywhere she lived. She leaves behind 10 grandchildren (four of whom she raised: Precious Kilgore, Glendra Camble, Danny Foster and James Foster); 12 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

The family would like to thank the many caregivers (especially Floyd), nurses and friends that visited and cared for Margaret.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 4, at Murray Brothers Cascade Chapel, 1199 Utoy Springs Road SW, Atlanta, GA 30331, (404) 349-3000, mbfh.com.

See more obituaries on A5

Death notices

Eleanor Louise Grams, 93, of St. Joseph died June 1, 2020, at Caretel Inns of Lakeland, St. Joseph. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Jane M. Hiler, 89, of Bainbridge Township died May 31, 2020, at home. Hutchins Funeral Home, Watervliet, 463-3811.

Margaret Jackson, 74, of Douglasville, Ga., formerly of Benton Harbor died May 26, 2020. Murray Brothers Cascade Chapel, Atlanta, (404) 349-3000.

Joyce E. (Larsen) Kolenko, 92, formerly of Coloma, died June 1, 2020, at St. Ann's Home, Grand Rapids, Mich. Hutchins Funeral Home, Watervliet, 463-3811.

John I. Wade Sr., 76, of Benton Harbor died May 26, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

John Isom Wade Sr.

June 6, 1943 – May 26, 2020

John Isom Wade Sr., 76, of Benton Harbor passed away on Tuesday, May 26, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph.

A celebration of homegoing graveside service will take place at 11 a.m. Friday, June 5, at Crystal Springs Cemetery in Benton Harbor. Friends may visit with the family from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, June 4, at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph. To allow for proper social distancing, there will be a limit of the number of people that will be allowed in the funeral home at a time. Memorial contributions may be made to Union Memorial AME Church. Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

John was born on June 6, 1943, in Trenton, Tenn., to Deloach Sr. and Lelar (White) Wade. He graduated from Rosenwald High School in 1961. On April 15, 1965, John married the love of his life, Beulah Robertson, in Benton Harbor. John began working in the field of auto specialties before he transitioned to working with Benton Harbor Area Schools as a school bus driver. After many years with the school district, John changed careers and began working at Bosch as an iron pourer. He worked there for over 25 years before he retired.

John was a proud member of King Darius Masonic Lodge and Union Memorial AME Church, where he also sang in the men's chorus. John also enjoyed fishing, bowling, playing cards and singing karaoke. Most of all, John loved spending time with his family. His children, grandchildren and great-grandchild meant the world to him, especially his great-granddaughter, Peyton Naomi; they were the best of friends.

John is survived by his loving wife, Beulah; children, Latonyia, John Jr., Matthew (Lateka), Gideon Wade and Olivia (Timothy) Nichols; grandchildren, Simeon, AnTonyia, Lydia and Monica Wade; great-granddaughter, Peyton Naomi Thompson; siblings, William (Aretha) Wade, Vera Threatt, Vernon (Mary) Wade and Silvia Lawson; sister-in-law, May Wade; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Deloach Sr. and Lelar Wade; children, Naaman and James Wade; and siblings, Ruby Ruffin, Deloach Jr., Arzie and Oliver Wade.

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25 years ago – 1995

In Southwest Michigan consumer concern about last week's Phillip Morris Inc. recall of 36 brands of its cigarettes, including Marlboro and Marlboro Lights, has been lukewarm at best. "Only a couple people I know of have inquired," said St. Joseph Hilltop store manager Barry Monroe. The recall encouraged customers to take cigarettes back for a refund, but as Monroe pointed out, most smokers have not heeded the warning.

Consumers were warned that an irritant known as methyl isothiocyanate had contaminated an undetermined amount of cigarette filters. The side effects from the contaminant include watery eyes, nasal irritation, coughing and dizziness, but many smokers saw little cause for alarm.

35 years ago – 1985

Southwestern Michigan track athletes brought home eight individual state titles at various final track and field meets Saturday. Benton Harbor's Michelle Rimpson and Bridgman's Ryan Pschigoda were the area's only repeat state champions and the only double winners Saturday.

Pschigoda won the Class D boys long jump and high jump and also took seconds in the 200 and 400 dashes, scoring 36 points by himself.

Rimpson won the Class A girls 100 and 200 dashes and also anchored legs on the Tigers' runnerup 400 and 800 relay units.

50 years ago – 1970

Mrs. Margaret Burkhard was honored by Bridgman Club 20 at its annual guest day luncheon. Named Bridgman's foster mother of the year for 1970, she is a licensed foster mother for the juvenile court of Berrien County and has cared for more than 50 children during the past seven years, some as young as three days old.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Wednesday, June 3, the 155th day of 2020. There are 211 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On June 3, 1965, astronaut Edward H. White became the first American to "walk" in space during the flight of Gemini 4.

On this date:

In 1861, Illinois Sen. Stephen A. Douglas, the Democratic presidential nominee in the 1860 election, died in Chicago of typhoid fever; he was 48.

In 1924, author Franz Kafka, 40, died near Vienna.

In 1935, the French liner Normandie set a record on its maiden voyage, arriving in New York after crossing the Atlantic in just four days.

In 1943, Los Angeles saw the beginning of its "Zoot Suit Riots" as white servicemen clashed with young Latinos wearing distinctive-looking zoot suits; the violence finally ended when military officials declared the city off limits to enlisted personnel.

In 1962, Air France Flight 007, a U.S.-bound Boeing 707, crashed while attempting to take off from Orly Airport near Paris; all but two of the 132 people aboard were killed.

In 1963, Pope John XXIII died at age 81; he was succeeded by Pope Paul VI.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Scattered T-storms	Chance Showers	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Partly Cloudy
73°	61°	76° / 67°	75° / 62°	71° / 60°	74° / 64°

Local Outlook

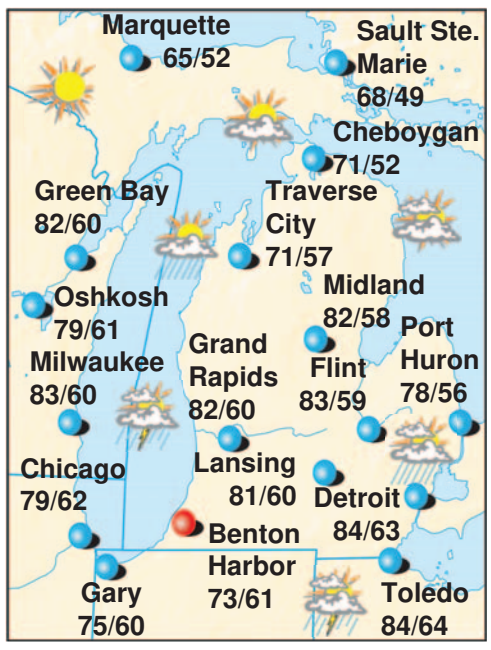
Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 73°, humidity of 74%. West wind 7 to 11 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a 40% chance of showers, overnight low of 61°. South southeast wind 3 to 7 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	6:11 a.m.
Sunset	9:17 p.m.
Moonrise	6:57 p.m.
Moonset	4:51 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
6/5	6/13	6/21	6/28

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	91°R
Low	67°
Normal High	76°
Normal Low	54°
Record High	86° in 2007
Record Low	38° in 2003

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	Trace
Normal for month	0.26"
Year to date	18.96"
Normal Year to date	13.24"

Air Quality

Yesterday	58
Main Offender	Ozone

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50 ..... Good
51-100 ..... Moderate
101-150 .... Sensitive
151-200 ... Unhealthy

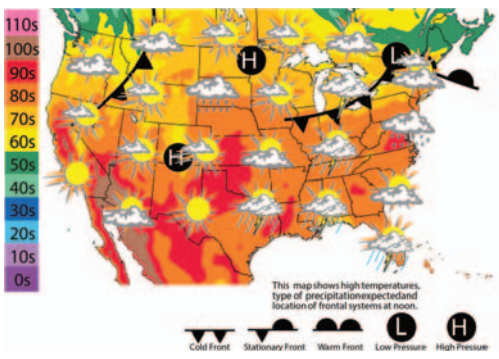
Weather Trivia

Do tornadoes occur in January?

Answer: Yes, the average year sees 47 tornadoes in its first month.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for June 3, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, WSW wind 6 to 9 kt. A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Waves 2 to 3 ft. Water temperature 63 degrees. Tonight, Variable winds 5 kt or less.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be partly cloudy to mostly cloudy with isolated showers, highs in the 60s and 70s. West northwest wind 3 to 10 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms, highs in the 70s and 80s. West wind 7 to 11 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Thursday with isolated showers, highs in the 70s and 80s. Light winds.

BH City Commission accepts over $300,000 in grants

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — Benton Harbor city commissioners accepted more than $300,000 in grants Monday for the city's Department of Public Safety.

The largest grant for almost $264,000 is for 30 self-contained breathing apparatus and a new air compressor to fill the air tanks with air.

Benton Harbor was one of 14 municipalities receiving a grant through the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages and Townships (FDCVT) Grant Program. In total, the state awarded $2.7 million in grants.

The second grant is $53,452 from the U.S. Department of Justice through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, which was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Donald Trump in March. The money is for personal protective equipment and training due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition, commissioners approved naming Dr. Don Tynes as the city's public health officer.

After the meeting, commissioners convened a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, where they approved a request from Selinda Coon to accept variations so she could add a porch to her existing home at 178 Grand Boulevard.

City commissioners will next meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday for a special meeting to consider amending the city's medical marijuana ordinance.

They are expected to consider removing the requirement that dispensaries be at least 500 feet from houses of worship and reduce the number of feet they must be from schools from 1,000 feet to 200 or 500 feet.

They are also expected to consider increasing the number of dispensaries allowed in the city from four to six.

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Wednesday, June 3, 2020

Dream Academy

BENTON HARBOR — Dream Innovative Academy will hold a drive-thru celebration for 33 graduates on Friday, June 5, at Benton Harbor High School.

Navionce Thompson, the daughter of Pearl Mister of Benton Harbor, is valedictorian. Natijah Heggler, daughter of Stephanie Martin of Benton Harbor, is salutatorian.

The class of 2020 includes: Aaliyah Allison, Roy'Shun Armstead, David Beard Jr., JaQuavion Burrell, Angel Cannon, Ayanna Carter, Lexus Colvin, Darius Clayton, Emore'j Eddie, Latoria Ellis, Da'sha Greely, Antonio Gregory Jr., Collin Hardin, Natijah Heggler, Lamont Hooks, Jaquaile Jackson, Antonio James Jr., Trinity Jenkins, Alexia Jones, Anna Martinez, Marquez Nichols, Damesha Parker, Zay'Keese Reid, Ta'jayleon Rimpson, Stephen Rockette Jr., Roland Roseburgh, Demitrius Seuell, Ayana Summers-Brown, Navionce Thompson, Shaterika Walker, Terrance Wallce Jr., Kemon Walls, Damien York Jr.

St. Joseph

ST. JOSEPH — St. Joseph High School will honor 260 graduates of the class of 2020 on Sunday, July 26.

There are 96 honor graduates.

The class of 2020 includes: Lindsey Adent, Lucas Adent, Amanda Allred, Garret Anderson, Jonah Anderson Jr., Larkin Anderson, William Armstrong, Jenna Ashmead, Dylan Bailey, Victoria Balfe, Nathan Barfuss, Leah Barlow, , Kiana Bartloff, James Beauchamp III, Brielle Beaudette, Nolan Becker, Paige Bennett, Xavier Bennett, Seth Bergman, Daniel Beushausen, Andrew Blomgren, William Boekeloo, Carrie Boelcke, Dylan Bogue, Chase Bohen, Nicholas Borre, Ethan Bowman-Hawkins, Chloe Braswell, Zoe Burkett, Avery Burnette, Tyler Burnette, Ambika Burramukku, Brandon Burrow, Troy Burrow, Anna Burton, Serenity Burton, Tristan Butterfield.

Malory Cain, Samantha Cataldi, Joseph Catania, Elise Chapman, Xuezhen Chen, William Christy, Emma Cochetel, Alex Cole, Andrew Cole, Cama'el Collins, Drake Collins, Zachary Conybeare, Phillip Cooper, Jonah Cox, Luke Crawford, Juan Cruz Gomez, Zane Damaske, Mikayla Davis, Roccy DeFrancesco, Gabrielle Dilley, Chloe Dockham, Isobel Downey, Emma Doyle, Adam Dressander, Anna Engleman, Megan Fairchild, Evelyn Faust, Jacob Feldman, Sherman Fernandes, Aarushi Fernandez, Isaac Filippo, Isabella Finnigan, William Fisbeck, Evon Fitts, Andraya Forker.

Adam Gable, Chris Gaikwad, Anna Gaishin, Taylor Garey, Hector Gasca, Ellie Geldhof, Balroop Ghotra, Dominic Giandiletti, Olivia Gilfoyle, Matthew Gillespie, Allison Golladay, Emma Goos, Uri Gottlieb, James Grant, Megan Guernsey, Gamal Guild, Jarra Hafer, Jerica Hairston, Lilly Halliday, Gabriel Harrmann, Mayce Hassinger, Joshua Hawkins, Luke Hedstrom, Ainsley Hegg, William Henry, Maxwell Holston, Eva Hoseth, Cory Houston, William Howard V, Chelsea Huddleston, Brent Huff, Kira Ilg, William Ingle-Sorrells, Emma Inman, Hannah Jackson, Mahdi Jaffal, Ashley Jarria, Evan Johnson, Noah Jordan, Jinyoung Jung.

Hunter Kalamaros, Corbin Kalin, Leo Kaplan, Eric Keeler, Sydney Keller, Cole Kilboy, Riley Klaer, Grace Koch, Justin Koch, Cole Koetsier, Ashlyn Kohn, Dylan Kole, Evan Konopacki, Noah Kosachuk, Zachary Kreiner, Alyssa Krenek, Sophia Kurtz, Ignatius Laurent, Claire LaValley, Konner LaVanway, Mason Lawrence, Kellen Lear, Davion Lee, Gio Lee, Megan Lesch, Jacob Lignell, Gabriel Lingk, Lauren Little, Alexander Lockwitz, Claire Lundy, Madelina Machado, Hunter Main, Alexandria Malone, Samuel Mandarino, Zachary Mandarino, Steven Markert, Brody Martin, Cameron Martindale, Dylan Marzke, Dashiel Matlock, Joseph May, Jenyse McGinnis, Jordan McGregor, Madison McNabb, Ashton Megna, Francesca Melluso, Sofia Melnikoff, Noemi Mendez, Nicholas Menke, Steve Meridy Jr., Jonathan Miesse, Casey Miller, Whitney Mims, Horacio Moreno Montanes, Brian Morris Jr., Briggs Mosher, Elivia Moss, Ayden Moyer, Jordan Moyer, Nadia Muniz, Jack Murphy, Christian Myers.

Kyle Needles, Shane Nelson, Sophia Newland, Daniel Newman, Andrew Nisbet, Arreeyah Amy Nobouphasavanh, Crystal Noles, Brenden Nolte, Claire Norland, Anne Nuter, Dylan Olson, Anthony Orozco, Clarissa Orrison, Chase Ott, Amelia Paine, Elizabeth Paloyan, Jayden Parker, Kaleb Parrett, Jessica Paukowits, Michael Pavlov, Alexis Pendergrass, Zachary Pfeiffer, Paige Pierce, Johnathan Porter, Jonathon Portlock, Romane Poulou, Elizabeth Pudell, Ellie Purchase, Bailey Rank, Luke Ray, Luke Richards, Cole Riedel, Eric Rinehart, Jordan Robinson, Drew Rosenburg, Anna Russell, Brooke Russell, Chloe Russell.

Sumaya Salem, Mason Sappanos, Benjamin Schadler, Blake Schadler, Lindsey Schaffer, Bryce Schiff, Vanessa Schoudt, Dometrik Schramm, Madison Scott, Ryan Scouler, Tasmiya Shaikh, Kylee Shane, Elijah Smith, Eileen Spiegel, Eric Stenske Jr., Jeremiah Sterling, Skylar Stockton, Cecilia Strickler, Robert Sundy III, Alexander Taylor, Joshua Terry, Leah Terry, Jamiee Thompson, Sean Thursby, Lucas Tomaszewski, Sebastian Toriz, Lucas Utter, Levi Valley, Sophia Valley, Anna Vi, Manuel Villalobos, Grace Vincek, Sophie Wagner, Owen Weber, Grace Wertanen, Drew Westling, Jayda White, Aubrey White-Day, Jordan Whyte, Alexander Wingate, Laura Wolf, Alexander Woodworth, Abigail Woytsek, Kaitlyn Yack, Jonah Yardley, Katherine Zachary, Anne Zeiler, Nicholas Zimanski.

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Berrien Springs

BERRIEN SPRINGS — Berrien Springs High School has 124 graduating seniors in the class of 2020. Commencement plans are still to be decided, for either June 28 or July 26.

The Shamrock boys soccer team won the first ever conference title, while boys cross country won the Berrien County meet for the second year in a row. The football team played all games at away sites and went undefeated in the regular season at 8-0 and went on to achieve Honorable Mention Academic All-State.

The competitive cheer team set four new school records and was undefeated in their regular season and became the BCS Conference champions. They were regional qualifiers, state finalists for the first time and achieved Honorable Mention Academic All-State.

HERMAN

Berrien Springs had one National Merit Finalist, Jacob Herman. Their Quiz Bowl team qualified for both state and national competition, while taking first place in the Allegan and BCS leagues and second place in the WSJM league.

The Concert Band and the Wind Symphony both earned straight Division One ratings at the District MSBOA Concert Festival, and both groups qualified for the State MSBOA Concert Band Festival.

Berrien Springs High School Marching Band earned a Division One rating at the MSBOA District Marching Festival. They earned Best Marching and second place at the Lakeshore Marching Invitational in Class C.

Twenty-nine Business Professionals of America chapter members qualified for the state competition. The Berrien Springs Financial Analyst Team received first place at regionals. The Small Business Management Team took second place and the Video Production Team took first place.

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The Bel Canto choir and the Concert Choir both received Division 1 ratings at the District Choir Festival with scores of 119/120. Bel Canto also performed at the American Choral Directors Association's fall conference at Western Michigan University and at the Michigan Music Conference in Grand Rapids in January. The Men's Ensemble received a Division 1 rating at the District Choir Festival with a score of 115/120. Eight seniors made it into the Southwestern Michigan Vocal Festival Honors Choir.

Senior class officers are: Jae Seo, president; Emily Knight, vice president; Noah Sanders, treasurer; Delyla Gomez, secretary; and George Kertawidjaja, historian.

The four co-valedictorians are: Garrett West, Lauren Schaer, Hannah Pittman and Jacob Herman. Destiny Russell is salutatorian.

West, the son of Peter and Karen West of Berrien Center, plans to finish his associate's degree in general science at Lake Michigan College, then transfer to study engineering at a four-year university.

Schaer, daughter of Brian and Tammie Schaer of Niles, plans to attend Southwestern Michigan College.

Pittman, daughter of Douglas Pittman and Carolina Teo of Niles, plans to attend the University of Michigan and major in biochemistry.

Herman, son of Michael Herman and Michele Bowen of Niles, plans to attend the University of Michigan Ross School of Business and eventually earn an MBA.

Russell, daughter of Chris Russell and Isadora Russell of Berrien Springs, plans to attend Southwestern Michigan College to finish her associate's degree and then transfer to a university in Georgia.

Berrien Spring's top 10 scholars are: Garrett West, Lauren Schaer, Hannah Pittman, Jacob Herman, Destiny Russell, Kaitlin Escobar, Katelyn Hubbard, Jae Won Seo, Jacklyn Alsbro and Jackson Glanzer.

Graduates of the 2020 class include: Ramaa Abburi, Jillian Abshagen, Adrian Acevedo Sotomayor, Luis Aguirre-Latino, Jacqueline Allison, Jacklyn Alsbro, Sandiniaina Andriamparany, Cameron Baker, Jacob Blakeman, Kevin Blaylock, Nathan Britenfeld, Klarissa Burch, Alyssa Burke, Kiersten Burns, Sean Carl, Billie Marie Carter, Tyler Carter, Yosselyn Cervantes, Cameron Chandler, Carlos Chavez-Hernandez, Jennifer Chin, Jackson Christner, Aslinn Cleland, Ian Cleveland, Isaiah Cuthbert, Emmanuel Davis, Hillary Dortch, Zoe Dortch, Kym'meisha Ellis-Davis, Kaitlin Escobar, Alicia Gilbert, Katharine Gillespie, Jackson Glanzer, DeLyla Gomez, Ryan Gonzalez, Caleb Gordon, Joyce Hajaj, Don'Esha Harrell, Kyle Haskins-McDonald, Myah Hawley, Reilly Hayes, Elizabeth Haygood, Xavier Haynes, Solomon Henderson, Jacob Herman, Katelyn Hubbard, Patrick Hunt.

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Destiny Russell, Elliot Sanders, Noah Sanders, Shirso Sarker, Skyler Sawle, Lauren Schaer, Brandon Schrock, Jae Won Seo, Carter Sheline, Jeffrey Shembarger, Enoch Sibande, Alexandria Sill, Michael Silva, John Simmons, Yazmin Singleton, Joshua Sitarz, Kylee Smith, Colton Stoub, Josette Suarez, Zariya Suggs, Nicolas Swank, Clinto Taveras, Samantha Thomas, Jaylen Thompson, Gabriella Trevisan, Giovanni Trevisan, Nathan Turbyfill, Magali Vazquez, Danny Vinson, Roosevelt Walker, Daniel Wauren, Garrett West, Payton White, Deven Wildeman, Eboni Willis, Jada Willis, Ashley Wooden, La'Dajah Yarbrough, Jaden Yonts, Hunter Zammataro.

Coloma

COLOMA — Coloma High School graduated 107 seniors this year on Friday, May 29.

Thirteen Coloma High School seniors are in the National Honor Society, 19 Academic chevrons were awarded, and eight members of the class of 2020 are members of the Southwestern Michigan Athletic Conference All-Academic Team.

The girls cross country team qualified for the state tournament, and the girls bowling team made the State Final Four.

The top 10 seniors are: Morgan Hosbein, Brenna Prescott, Nicholas Eastman, Megan Koenigshof, Emma Vandermolen, Isabelle Stevens, Marissa Sherburn, Megan Neubecker, Alice Askren and Ian Ishmael.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Santanna Adkins, Cole Alsup, Marshall Arndt, Lillian Arnold, Rachael Arnold, Alice Askren, Haileigh Badtke, Noah Baldwin, Hannah Barton, Jordane Baushke, Loghan Baushke, Kalob Beaman, Tyler Bell, Jerry Binder, Connor Bittner, Jaden Boyd, Kenyon Boyd, Stacey Branscumb Jr., Joshua Brown, Jazmyne Caldwell, Michael Case, David Caulton, Aiden Cowell, Tony Craft, Vanessa Crisenbery, Charles Cullitan, Karisma Cunningham, Cole Current, Lillian Dahlquist, Michael Dancer Jr., Bradley Darling, Alec Delatorre, Nicholas Eastman, Damon Eberhardt, Amaria Echols, Tyra Eldridge, Kelsey Ellis, Rozalyn Emrich, Alexa Estrada-Keymoole, Emily Feldten, Jordan Fischer, Darren Fulton, Braiden Goldner, Damian Gomez, Andres Gomez-Ramirez, Morgan Gruss, Hannah Guntz.

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Benton Harbor

BENTON HARBOR — Benton Harbor High School is holding a drive-in celebration for 120 graduating seniors on Friday, June 5, at the high school, with times staggered between 4-6:30 p.m. More information is available on the district's Facebook page about the ceremony.

CTE Scholarship Awards were given to five seniors.

Gershon Clay and Daniel Moore are co-valedictorians. Tyena Taylor is salutatorian.

Clay, son of Bobbie Jo Clay and Fitzgerald Clay of Benton Harbor, plans to attend college to study mechanical engineering and then possibly return to study patent law.

Moore, son of Darrick and Dannetta Moore of Benton Harbor, plans to attend a university to major in pre-law.

Taylor, daughter of Angela Taylor and Jeffery Sims of Benton Harbor, plans to go to community college and work.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Keshari Acklin, Sincere Archibald, Ashanti Atkins, Derrisha Bell, Eshanti Bell, Jada Bell, Larry Bennett Jr., Darius Bloomer Jr., Farrall Boyd, Ja'Lisa Braziel, Ja'Naya Brooks, Diamond Brown, Sharnise Brown, Nathan Bryant, Nashae Cabell, Ni'jhaiya Campbell, Thurman Chillers, Gershon Clay, Tyra Clay, Arial Cloy, Ammicia Coates, Lawrence Cohn, Kemonte Conley, Gregory Cooper III, Kha'Leyah Cooper, Taniya Cornelius, Lanyjah Covin, Assanti Craig, Derick Creamer II, Davy'on Creamer, Melaisha Davis, Quindarius Davis, Santrail Davis, Brionna Depriest, Malachi Dezale, Da'qual Edison-Suggs, Tak'ajh Favorite, Ametrius Fleming, Kaleb Franklin, Denise Fuentes, Laquan Gordon, Jesse Green Jr., Johniesha Green.

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HAY

BANGOR — Bangor High School has 51 graduating Vikings in the class of 2020.

Kaitlynn Lyzenga, daughter of Christina and Brett Lyzenga of Bangor, is valedictorian. She plans to continue her education at Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design.

Audrey Hay, daughter of Tracie and Eric Hay of Bangor, is salutatorian. She plans to start at Kalamazoo Valley Community College and transfer to a university.

The top 10 seniors are: Kaitlynn Lyzenga, Audrey Hay, Andrew Cervantes, Hailee Stone, Jennifer Garcia, Max McGuire, Tyler Brenne, Hannah Jaco, Rebekah Kurth and Eric Wheeler.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Martin Ayala-Barajas Jr., Lillian Baker-Cervantes, Maritza Barajas, Tyler Brenne, Seth Brunn, Austin Busscher, Lucy Calvillo, Jordan Carter, Andrew Cervantes, Gabriel Coronado-Medina, Nicholas Danielczuk, Jesus Diaz, Madison Erb, Julien Farmer, Guillermo Franco Villa, Ricardo Gamino-Geronimo, Jose Garcia Jr., Jennifer Garcia, Brendan Gregory, Audrey Hay, Hannah Householder, Hannah Jaco, Melvin Jeffries, Ke'Arius Jennings, Rebekah Kurth, Elizabeth Lopez Cruz, Kaitlynn Lyzenga, Lisandro Magana, Alvaro Martinez Parra, Felis Martinez, Mason May, Max McGuire, Stanley Morris III, Ryan Nelson, Anthony Pasley, Krea Pittman, Jocelyn Ponce, Jennifer Quinones, Ricardo Ramos, Glen Roesch II, Eloy Saucedo, Jefferson Saucedo, Logan Slone, Hailee Stone, Even Tate Jr., Brandon Thomas, Summer Torres, Zachary Trainor, Mychaila Verstrate, Erika Villegas, Eric Wheeler.

Buchanan

BUCHANAN — Buchanan High School has 94 graduating seniors in the class of 2020.

The marching band went to state competition and also received all Division 1 ratings at festival.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Carter Aalfs, Dedrick Adkerson, Lucille Arbanas, Camryn Baber, Mary Becvar, Annette Borst, Jonathan Brock-Ondresky, Kolleen Bromley, Kelsey Brown, Darrin Burgoyne, Brooke Clanton, Madison Cole, Collin Cozadd, Joebe Cronin, Austynn Dalton, Ashley Damouth, Brendan Dodson, Hannah Donnelly, Trinity Driver, Lauren Emerick, Stone Fox, Ezekiel Furst, Keith Gallegos, Shailin Golden, Isaiah Gray, Annmarie Hansen, Rockey Harding Jr., Caitlynn Harrell, Carteer Harrington, Gage Harris, Travis Harris, Abigail Hickok, Jesse Hogue, Lauren Hogue, Jacob Hoover, Rose Johnson, Nora Kaltenbach, Joseph Kara, Patrick Kean, Kyle Kennedy, Aidan Kile, Tyler Klopfenstein, Brayden Krueger, Brighton Lee, Cole Lee, Ethan Lentsch, Catherine Lietz, Kegan Lingle, Emly Long, Camden Lorance, Emma Lozmack.

Dominic Manley, Christina Mason, Reese Matlock, Nik McCllen, Gabriel McCollum, Sean McNeely, Timothy Miller Jr., Kadin Mills, Tayona Newbern, Skyler Nixon, Ronald Oatsvall, Joshua Pierce, Charles Reeves, Hunter Riggins, Natalie Riley, Samuel Riley, Lane Roberts, Kelsey Ropp, Robert Ruth, Devon Schmmidkunz, Isaac Schrumpf, Mia Sipe, Jade Smith, Lucas Snelling, Matthew Snodgrass, Chloe Spitz, Joseph Thayer, Danzyk Thompson, Logan Thompson, Halee Tittle, Anna Tobler, Keziah Triggs, Kyle Turner, Brett Valentine, Bradley VanOverberghe, Hannah Vergon, Zane Westgate, Austin Wiggins, Garrett Williams, Zynisha Willis, Donovan Wingrove, Kinsley Worke, Christopher Young.

Niles Cedar Lane

NILES — Niles Community Schools' Cedar Lane Alternative High School will hold a virtual graduation ceremony on June 16 for their 25 seniors in the class of 2020.

Member of the graduating class are: Derrick Brown, Halie Clark, Steven Cox, Isaiah Dewey, Gabriel Hardesty, Jenna Laskowski, Fallyn Long, Dustin Marsiglio, Devin McCartney, Tyler McGowan, Haylee McLeod, Destiny Mena, Logan Moffitt, Daulton Morgan, Javon Morris, Calvin Payne, Jadden Price, Guadalupe Rodriguez, Whitney Sarvis, Anmol Singh, Wes Sobolewski, Chasity Stanfill, Jade True, Steven White, Max Wilson.

Grace Christian

WATERVLIET — Grace Christian School in Watervliet held graduation exercises on May 21 at the school for two seniors.

Grace Stockdale is valedictorian, while Ethan Housh is salutatorian.

Stockdale, daughter of Alan and Christy Stockdale of Coloma, plans to attend Calvin University in Grand Rapids. Her activities during school included National Honor Society, student council president, band, cross country, basketball, track and worship team.

Housh, son of Ken and Christine Housh of Benton Harbor, plans to attend Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids. His activities during high school included band, cross country and student council chaplain.

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Eau Claire

EAU CLAIRE — Eau Claire High School has 34 graduating seniors in the class of 2020. A commencement exercise will be held later this summer at the school with Randall Ellsworth, Eau Claire special education teacher, as speaker.

The varsity boys basketball team had an amazing season that was cut short due to COVID-19, not allowing them to play in the district championship game, which would have been the first time the Beavers made it to districts since 2006.

AREND

Kayla Arend and Zyren Gilbert are co-valedictorians. Melanie Ginther is salutatorian.

GILBERT

Arend, daughter of Jeremy and Kathy Arend of Eau Claire, will attend the University of Michigan to study psychology to become an ABA therapist or child psychologist.

Gilbert, son of Danyette and Lashun Williams of Benton Harbor, will study biochemistry at Grand Valley State University.

GINTHER

Ginther, daughter of Tara Marie and Carl Ginther of Eau Claire, will finish her last year at Southwestern Michigan College and transfer to Purdue Northwest with plans to become a veterinary technician.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Alaisha Allen, Kayla Arend, Kobe Aubill, Jennah Bailey, Alecksei Berget, Mikayla Bryant, Dakota Clark, Darian Davis, Skylaar Davis, Tiana Dyson, Ayanna Fletcher, Jocelyn Garski, Zyren Gilbert, Melanie Ginther, Eylisa Gomez, Marquis Hackney, Jesse Jackson, Mon'Taveon Johnson, Zion Kildare, Conner Langer, Cintia Martinez, Karla Martinez, Genesis Mendoza-Blanco, Angelise Morgan, Brandt Ostrom, Dei'Jon Palmer, Fernando Pinon-Cardenas, Wendy Raya, Carter Rodriguez, Ayana Roldan-Lopez, Shadiamond Roseburgh, Phoebe Steinke, Berenice Suarez Cervantes, Laken Teague.

Lakeshore

STEVENSVILLE — Lakeshore High School has 208 graduating seniors in the class of 2020.

The class had 77 honor students with GPAs of 3.5 or above, 12 AP scholars, 15 AP Scholars with Distinction, 3 National Merit Commended Scholars, one National Merit finalist and two National Merit winner scholars.

The Lancers' wrestling team was the SMAC West Division champions and had an MHSAA Final Four finish. The boys basketball team was the SMAC West Division champion and was scheduled to play in the district championship.

The top 20 scholars are: Mariam Alshourbagy, Jamey Carpenter, Dylan Clem, Eric Dubbert, Brooke Elmore, Sage Feldbruegge, Lily Florian, Mason Gardiner, Savannah Gostlin, Sophia Korfmacher, Maxwell Li, Logan Miller, Olivia Pauls, Samuel Pietrogallo, Jozlyn Rivera, Emily Stringer, Chiara Thrum, Reagan Warnock, Shane Williams and Emma Woodard.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Marie Adinolfi, Mariam Alshourbagy, Abigail Anderson, Benjamin Anderson, Diego Avello, Pooja Baldeosingh, Ethan Benedict, Madison Binkley, Tom Bitzer, Denver Borst, Dylan Breault, Benjamin Brower, David Brown, Zane Brummett, Christina Burdick, Robert Carmody, Jamey Carpenter, Zadah Carpenter, Tori Carter, Alissa Chen, Ki Heon Chung, Sierra Ciesielski, Anthony Clark, Dylan Clem, Casey Collum, Caitlin Connell, Eamon Conner, Kiana Couitcher, Elizabeth Cox, Justin Crowder, Madison Cvengros, Hannah DeBoer, Matthew De Fay, Bailey De La Torre, Alicia Delgado, Natalie Dent, Katherine Devries, Clayton Drews, Eric Dubbert, Brady Dutton, Stephanie Dye.

Madison Eisenhart, Melayna Elliott, Brooke Elmore, Cierra English, Aliyah Ethridge, Andrew Farnum, Annalyse Farnum, Mason Fay, Sage Feldbruegge, Gillian Fell, Madison Ficks, Kelsey Finehout, Lily Florian, Chad Fowler, Meredith Gacek, Leyton Gaishin, Mason Gardiner, Thomas Garrett, Kyle Gaunder, Yash Gautam, Jonathan Gelesko, Allison Gillem, Kaytlynn Gilmer, Angela Godush, William Gooding, Savannah Gostlin, Emmanuel Gracia, Abigail Graffenius, Justin Graham, Urvi Gupta, Johnna Hafling, Noelle Hamilton, Alexis Harmon, Tracy Harrell, Aniya Harris, Jessica Hayhurst, Hollee Hercik, Carter Hohman, Jacob Hollerbach, Lillian Hoose, Alexander Hoss, Darnell Hurse-Rimpson, Devin Ingram, Ella Jeske, Mireya Jimenez, Bailey Joachim, Ruby Johnson, Riley Jordan, Mehul Kedia, James Kellerstrass, Shaelie Kerlikowski, Alina Keskimaki, Austin Kiser, Jared Knowles, Dillon Koebel, Andrew Kolessar, Henrique Kopp, Sophia Korfmacher.

Nalia Labinowicz, Jeremy Lane, Drew Langston, Kullen Lein, Abigail Lewis, Kiana Lewis, Maxwell Li, Sarah Lockman, Antonio Lopez Testini, Alena Louie, Mikhail Ludens, Elizabeth Ludwig, Emily Ludwig, Noah Lyon, Allen Macholtz, Gerrit Marshall, Brendon Martin, Broderick Mazur, Jenna McHugh, Laney Mead, Natalie Megna, Mikayla Mennito, Alexandria Merkel-Fisher, Emma Meyer, Logan Miller, Malachi Miller, Olivia Miller, Jack Mischke, Olivia Mishler, Trevor Mojsiejenko, Sarah Moore, Jaidyn Morris, Isabella Najera, Jena Nate, Jared Newman, Noah Newman, Abigail Nitz, David Noack, Madelyn Ostenson, Olivia Pauls, Reymundo Perez, Cora Pica, Samuel Pietrogallo, Jocelyn Pittman, Johnathan Plisow, Joshua Ponton, Felix Poole, Annika Price.

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Andrews Academy

BERRIEN SPRINGS — Andrews Academy held virtual commencement exercises for 64 seniors on Sunday, May 24.

Pastor Mario Ferguson spoke.

Seven graduating seniors received full scholarships to college.

The top 10 scholars for the class of 2020 are: Hunter Baldwin, Jonathan Burn, Katrina Johnson, Beatriz Stockler-Martins, Andres Weiss Segui, Jessica Yi, Sion Kim, David Nolan Keyes, Jaden Leiterman and Jonathan Wright.

Member of the class are: Lucas Aguiar, Leonardo Aguilera, Juan Alvarez-Wilches, Hannah Ashley, Joshua Ashley, Gianna Bacchiocchi, Einra Leie Baker, Hunter Baldwin.

Jonathan Burn, Kaila Campbell, Abigail Cancel, Michael Castillo, Luke Drew, Bria Evans, Kameron Feliciano, Malaika Ferguson.

Nathan Fernandez, Isabella Goncalves, Spencer Goolsby, Emma Hamel, Shaya Hart, Jennifer Jean, Taeran Jeong, Katrina Johnson, Malik Jones, Rebecca Karanja, David Keyes, Sion Kim, Songjun Kim, Isabella Kunze.

Joshua Leffler, Jaden Leiterman, Giovanni Leonor, Heng (Andy) Liang, Yu (Troy) Liang.

Beatriz Martins, Stephen Maydole, Kassaundra Metzger, Ellen Mosheti, Milca Munoz, Raven Myers, Daniel Palacios-Worley, Hunter Penn, Nathan Penn, Eboni Regis, Faith Richardson, Logan Robbins, Christopher Rogers, Samuel Saint-Phard.

Jenisca Samuel, Flavia Sciarabba Badenas, Verlencia Senatus, Kristen Sihotang, Maggie Steeves, Samuel Taylor II, Jalen Thomas, Mikhael Tillman Jr., Thach Trinh, David Vine, Carlos Weiss Segui, Chase Wiker, Gabriel Wilson, Jonathan Wright, Jessica Yi.

South Haven

SOUTH HAVEN — South Haven high school plans to hold commencement exercises for 125 graduating seniors in the class of 2020 later this summer.

The wrestling team won districts this year and sent four wrestlers to the MHSAA state finals.

The girls bowling team placed in regionals and qualified for state finals in Jackson.

Opal Eddy is valedictorian and Elise Postma is salutatorian.

Eddy, daughter of Kaileigh and Mark Eddy of South Haven, plans to attend Western Michigan University in the fall to major in either business or chemistry.

Postma, daughter of Sheryl and Jeff Postma of South Haven, plans to attend Colorado School of Mines to pursue a degree in metallurgical and material science engineering.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Heidi Aguayo, Emelie Allred, Avery Ansinn, Lillianna Bartlett, Jackson Beck-Calvert, Nevaeh Bell, Leah Bennett, Bernadette Brown, Terra Buckley, Ameerah Burton, Christian Calderon, Deisy Calderon, Daniela Calderon-Andrade, Khila Calhoun, Cameron Callaghan, Veronica Calvillo, Alfredo Castillo, Celeah Christopher, Kaiden Cole-Johnson, Dorian Cooper, Mackenzie Cramer, Holli Dannenberg, Benjamin DeGrandchamp, Genevieve Deschaine, Yoselin Diaz, Brenan Diekema, Mallory Dorow, Jacob Doss, Maralmaa Dugar, Opal Eddy, Damarion Elliott, Janelle Ewing.

Taevon Farmer, Kian Ferguson, Kaleb Filbrandt, Kenneth Fleming, Lyndsee Ford, Adrian Lopez, Sierra Garber, Eric Garcia, Jessica Garcia-Gomez, Breanna Gogins, Trent Gonzales-French, Alondra Gonzalez, Ana Gonzalez, Kyra Gumpert, Monica Hale, Yazmine Hall, Jordan Harris, William Hasted, Kaia Hayes, Garrett Heath, Jared Hentschel, Ellie Honcharenko, Aurora Hosier, Haley Hutto, Damien Ibarra, Juliana Ibarra, Alexis Jeffries, Elizabeth Johnson, Marissa Johnson, Brandon Jonatzke, Nadia Kimbrough, Molly Klein, Alexia Kuhn, Gabriel Larkin, Macie Lawson, Mayson Lawson, Tyler Leach, Alondra Llerena, Vance Locker, Victoria Loikits, Hunter Lynch.

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Niles

KAUFMANN

ROGERS

NILES — Niles High School has 177 graduating seniors in the class of 2020.

Six out of seven students placed in the top six at the HOSA regional level, and five of those students went on to compete at the state level, where one student won gold and will go on to complete virtually at internationals in June. Another student placed fifth at state.

The Niles FFA team were state champions in Parliamentary Procedure and in Agricultural Issues.

Kaleb Ott took first place in regionals at the Business Professionals Association for Fundamentals of Web Design and second place in Business Law, qualifying for state, which was canceled.

Girls basketball received Honorable Mention Academic All-State, while girls golf and volleyball both took Academic All-State.

The wrestling team and football team both received Academic All-State awards. The wrestling team went on to become district champions.

Michael Kaufmann, son of Dr. Kenneth and Christina Kaufmann of Niles, is valedictorian. He plans to attend the University of Michigan to study computer science and economics.

Maeli Rogers, daughter of Joel and Anita Rogers of Niles, is salutatorian. She plans to attend the University of Michigan to study nursing and Spanish.

Member of the class of 2020 are: Edgar Aguirre Morales, Nicholas Ahlgrim, Aubrey Allen, Zoie Appleberry, Emma Azpeitia, Taylor Bailey, Javond Ball, Elisabeth Balog, Tyler Baloun, Kelsey Barkman, Joseph Bartkowiak, Daniel Bates, Garrick Bates, Kyle Beckwith, Rebekka Benjamin, Jaida Bills, Jacob Bixby, Andrew Boling, Ryder Borowitz, Rachel Bowman, Ryan Bowman, Travis Boykin, Skyler Brawley, Willow Brawley, Joshua Brown, Chase Bruckner, Dylan Canniff, Jazmin Capula, Elena Carey, Bailey Ciciora, Hayley Clark, Abigail Coffee, Brandon Crawford, Allison Crites, Emma Damouth, Reese Davies, Anna Maria De Santo, Alexander DeGraff, Megan Diaz, Jackson Dierlam, Alexandria Dunnuck.

Jade Ellison, Alexia Engdahl, Connor Farr, Marc Fisher, Angelina Fisk, Grace Florkowski, MaKenna Fonseca, Meagan Franch, Ryan Franco, Thomas Gaedtke, Audriana Ganus, Nolan Garrard, Craig Gibson, Kaylen Gibson, Nathan Goins III, Jacob Gondeck, Michaela Gonzales, Drew Gourlay, Jordan Gourley, Kaydi Grayam, Austen Hamilton, Nathaniel Hardesty, Lauren Harringer, Austin Hattenbach, David Haynes Jr., Caleb Heighway, Mason Henderson III, Paris Higgs, Lilly Honeycutt, Sophia Hover, Shelby Jaynes, Reilly Johnson, Michael Kaufmann, James Knight III, Brett Koebel, Ryan Kosten, Desirae Krill, Tori Kyles, Brayden Lake, Brad Lintz Jr., Cameron Listenberger, Christopher Listenberger, Grace Lister, Erica Lovett, Jackson Lyden, Jesus Magno Garcia, Jaiden Mangold, Blake Mann, Zoey Martin, Nicholas Martz, Tre'vin Mason, Kimberly Mata, Alencio McClendon, Olivia McIntosh, Ashleigh McIntyre, Paige McKean, Joseph McLalin II, Skylar Means-Flewellen, Abigail Mellinger, Eric Messenger, Brendan Millar, Madalyn Miller, Nathan Millin, Rachel Moore, Oswaldo Moreno, Ethan Morris, Johnae Moten, Eliska Muellerova, Nicholas Nasstrom, Nikola Nate, Thomas Nate, Demarien Nichols, Keila Ortiz-Ornelas, Alycia Patterson, Bianca Pickens, Yahaira Pizana, Kaleb Powers, Jayla Preston, Sydney Prillwitz, Jacob Purvis, Hendrik Raab, Kimberly Rader, Tammy Reynolds, Austin Rice, Kyra Richards, Zachary Robb, Justin Rogers, Maeli Rogers, Maysa Rollf, Brad Roman, Christina Rose, Sullivan Rudolph, Jason Ruiz Jr., Zachary Ryman.

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Countryside Academy

BENTON HARBOR — Countryside Academy will hold commencement exercises for 27 graduating seniors in the class of 2020 later this summer, with Dr. Redgina Hill as speaker.

Daiden Shaw and a student who would like to remain anonymous are co-valedictorians.

Shaw, son of Alden and Roxanne Shaw of Benton Harbor, plans to attend Western Michigan University to major in mechanical engineering.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Collin Alexander, Terrance Allen Jr., Trinidy Anderson, Ronesha Anthony, Myles Barney, Keely Bolen, Charles Booker, Marcus Broadway, Ja'Keya Brooks, Brandon Buchanan, Jose Cardona, Aaron Estrada, Diana Gamino, Jared Gasca, Emily Goreczky, Skye Lanier, Dhruvkeshkumar Patel, Shavarria Phipps, Rayquan Poindexter, Samuel Rollins, Daiden Shaw, Elisha Smith, Hector Vargas, Gustavo Vega, Yneisha Washington, Charles Watkins Jr., Adrionna Wright.

Lake Michigan Catholic

ST. JOSEPH — Lake Michigan Catholic High School has 22 graduates in the class of 2020.

Melanie Kibler is valedictorian, and Bailey Siglow is salutatorian.

Kibler, daughter of Michael and Kathy Kibler of Berrien Springs, plans to join the U.S. Coast Guard.

Siglow, daughter of Petr and Kim Siglow of Coloma, plans to attend St. Mary's College and major in speech pathology.

The top 10 students are: Melanie Kibler, Bailey Siglow, Hayden Starr, Elena Proos, John Mansfield, Kathryn Wertheimer, Kathleen Krieger, Jacob Koenig, Connor Casey and Benjamin Johnston.

Members of the class are: Max Allen, Connor Casey, Claire Duris, Yoonsoo Ha, Ashley Herrera, Vincent Ireland, Benjamin Johnston, Madeleine Johnston, Melanie Kibler, Jacob Koenig, Kathleen Krieger, Emily Lage, John Mansfield, Elena Proos, Bailey Siglow, Chloe Simmons, Mariah Sirk, Hayden Starr, An Uong, Rafael Villegas, Yuxin Wang, Kathryn Wertheimer.

River Valley

PAYNE

SPRINGER

THREE OAKS — River Valley High School will hold commencement exercises for 43 graduating seniors on Saturday, July 18, at the high school football stadium. Speakers will be the valedictorian, salutatorian and Principal Pat Breen.

The Mustangs boys basketball team were conference champions. The district championship game for boys basketball was canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Twenty-eight percent of the graduating class has above a 3.5 GPA.

Logan Payne, son of Mark and Traci Payne of Galien, is valedictorian. He plans to study industrial and organizational psychology and is undecided as to which university scholarship to accept.

Emma Springer, daughter of Mike and Nikki Springer of Three Oaks, is salutatorian. She plans to attend Calvin University to play softball and study physical therapy.

Member of the class are: Levi Ashby, Jacob Ashcraft, Jacob Barbour, Tawnie Bell, Sophia Bender, Davyd Bronson, Connor Brown, Ty Daniel, Victoria DesLauries, Dorian Erickson, Timothy Fadder-Hollingsworth, Abigail Flick, Kenneth Gibson, Hannah Hall, Cooper Harrington, Brandon Henrichsen, Christopher Kendall, William Korbel, Alan Lang, Kyleigh LePinske, Jason Lull, Madison Lumley, Tylar Montgomery, Aidan Olson, Ella Olson, Mackenzie Panozzo, Noe Patino-Nunez, Logan Payne, Maya Preece, Matthew Rhyne, Allyson Rochefort, Allison Schmidt, Matthew Schmidt, Steven Seifert, Minisno Shingwauk, Emma Springer, Chloe Stanage, Levi Strauss, Carson Taylor, Hannah Weaver, Elijah Witter, Emily Wohler, Halie York.

New Buffalo

NEW BUFFALO — New Buffalo High School has 44 seniors in the class of 2020, with 11 senior scholars based on a calculation of their cumulative GPA and SAT scores.

Senior Scholars include: Cordania DeSimone, Lethaea DeSimone, Kira Arvanitis, Rachel Hofstetter, Grace Gradowski, Jacob Nerada, Jacob Fidler, Jesse Arp, Emily Baughman, Ashton Jacobs Golebiewski, Andrew Kuta.

Members of the class are: Jesse Arp, Kira Arvanitis, Emily Baughman, Daniel Bowen, Aliyah Brown, Ian Cawley, Michael Comer, Donavon Curtis, Cordania DeSimone, Lethaea DeSimone, Clay Drake, Sarah Eberly, Marcus Escoto, Emily Fatter, Haley Feeback, Jacob Fidler, Michael Flick, Rogelio Garcia, Grace Gradowski, Jacqueline Hauseman, Sonja Heath, Rachel Hofstetter, Ashton Jacobs Golebiewski, Samantha Jarrett, Henry Johnson, Nickolas Keen, Izabella Koller, Andrew Kuta II, Mary Mayer, Tucker Morse, Hope Motycka, Rose Nallenweg, Jacob Nerada, Rebecca-Kyah Nielson, Taylor Oselka, Phineas Payne, Adam Ripley, Joseph Roberts, Justin Smith, Gabriel Tingley, Leigha Vinson, Aidan White, Joseph Wick, Clair Workman.

Michigan Lutheran

BERGHAUS

RUSH

ST. JOSEPH — Michigan Lutheran High School has 28 graduating seniors in the class of 2020.

Forty-six percent of the class received honors or special honors. The average SAT score was 1105.

The girls volleyball team was district champions, and girls basketball was district champions and qualified for the regional finals, which weren't able to be played.

Clare Berghaus is valedictorian, and Maria Rush is salutatorian.

Berghaus, daughter of Martin and Tracie Berghaus of St. Joseph, will attend Hillsdale College to major in biochemistry and music, with plans to become a clinical research pharmacist.

Rush, daughter of Gregory and Dawn Rush of St. Joseph, plans to attend Grand Valley State University to study business.

The top 10 students are: Clare Evelyn Berghaus, Maria Rush, Shane Patrarungrong, Meg Stangl, Rebekah Hisle, Mara Rugen, Daniel Graebel, Maxwell Plocher, Olivia McLaughlin and Ross Clare.

Member of the class are: Erika Anderson, Clare Berghaus, Liya Cai, Frances Chukwu, Ross Clare, Georgia Crow, Andrew DeWeerd, Daniel Graebel, Katerina Gunnoe, Cameron Guse, Abby Harris, Rebekah Hisle, Chloe Johnson, Gwendolyn Loethen, Olivia McLaughlin, Shane Patrarungrong.

Maxwell Plocher, Katie Rainey, Jesus Antolin Rojas De La Garza, Mara Rugen, Maria Rush, Meg Stangl, Natalie Stokes, Zhaoen Su, Haoxuan Wang, Olivia Ruth Webb, Qinyi Zhao, Qifan Zheng.

Bridgman

BRIDGMAN — Bridgman High School has 48 graduating seniors in the class of 2020.

Bridgman's seniors were first place in SAT scores in Berrien County.

The class of 2020 was also recognized as one of the top 13 high schools in the state for FAFSA completion.

The girls cross country team won the MHSAA Division 4 state championship, as well as the BCS Conference championship.

The girls volleyball team was BCS Conference Red Division champions.

The Bees played their first season of 8-player football in 2019.

The top 10 seniors are: Eric Adams, Brandon Feole, Haley Goff, Angela Harazin, Lillian Haskins, Summer Janes, Taylor Nitz, Mikaela Owen, Erin Rochefort and Rachel Scharnowske.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Lexis Abbott, Eric Adams, Hunter Adams, Savannah Ashby, Josie Barschdorf.

Henry Branch, Ezra Clapsaddle, Austin Crowder, Kristian Dalton, John Davis, Kendall Dunkel, Daniela Estebes, Brandon Feole, Vallerie Floyd, Haley Goff.

Angela Harazin, Lillian Haskins, Jenna Henderson, Lydia Heyn, Brendan Hill, Summer Janes, Emily Jotzat, Megan Klein.

Talea Lavanway, Serenity Livengood, Naomi Loraff, Sydney Mantei, Alexandria Mast, Jordyne Miller, Kelsey Mulick, Donald Necas, Taylor Nitz, Mackenzie Norris, Madelyn Oman, Mikaela Owen.

Andrew Pliley, Ethan Pope, Alexandria Rainey, Erin Rochefort, Grace Sanderson.

Rachel Scharnowske, Maddison Schiffer, Jackson Schmaltz, Fisher Spessard, Charles Steffey, Makenzie Tomlin, Elizabeth Whitehead, Ashley Willer.

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Watervliet

WATERVLIET — Watervliet High School has 58 graduating seniors in the class of 2020. Watervliet High School was recognized by U.S. News & World Report as one of the Best High Schools of 2019. The wrestling team and baseball team both won their 2019 district championships.

The top 10 seniors are: Gus Hinch, Trever Pelton, Susanna Van Lente, Ashley Bumstead, Cole Pline, Logan Roland, Allison Eisen, Serena Kerr, Madelyn Wilkinson and Alex Isbrecht.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Keegan Adams, Elena Alverado, Jordan Angelo, Jacob Blentlinger, Maddison Brinsfield, Ashley Bumstead, William Collins, Jimmy Collis, Stephanie Cox, Collen Doneruse, Brennan Dygert, Kody Edmonds, Keyonnah Edwards, Allison Eisen, Elaina Fogarty, Logan Franklin, Katlynn Fuller, Logan Geisler, Da'naveon Gilbert, lliira Goss, Joshua Gruszczyk, Gus Hinch, Masyn Hotovy, Addison Igert, Alex Isbrecht, Keimaira Jackson, Ryan Jerue, Harneet Kaur, Serena Kerr, Meghan Klann, Jackie Kuelbs, Jacob Loomis, Diego Martinez, Emma Morris, Taylor O'Neal.

Trever Pelton, Cole Pline, Nick Polaskey, Brian Ramirez, Serena Reyna, Jayna Rodgers, Logan Roland, Saarah Schaefer, Alyssa Schlende, Jay Scruggs, Chelsea Speck, Raelyn Statler, Katelynn Sutherland, Austin Terry, Nick Tilley, Chevelle Tindall, Dylan Tucker, Susanna VanLente, Noah Weber, Curtis White, Madelyn Wilkinson, Isaac Wilmoth, Alexis Worley.

Lawrence

ANDREWS

REED

LAWRENCE — Lawrence High School is holding commencement exercises for 36 seniors on July 17 at Lawrence High School stadium. The speaker will be Superintendent Gretchen Gendron.

Mia Donovan Andrews is valedictorian and Kassidy Jordan Reed is salutatorian.

Donovan Andrews, daughter of Mindy Donovan and Gordon Andrews of Lawrence, plans to attend Kalamazoo College in the fall to study pre-law.

Reed, daughter of Kim and David Reed of Lawrence, will continue at Kalamazoo Valley Community College and transfer to Western Michigan university to pursue a career as a pediatrician.

The top 10 scholars are: Mia Andrews, Hector DelaRosa, Cecilia Gleason, Jennifer Gutierrez, Hanah Lanphear, Alan Macyauski, Clare McLemore, Kassidy Reed, Emily Stroud and Jacob Zapata.

Members of the class of 2020 are: Mia Donovan Andrews, Adol Bak, Ana Cardoso, Elisa Castro, Lanndan Copeman, Hector DelaRosa, Cecilia Gleason, Jennifer Gutierrez, Zoey Haislip, Austin Hammond, Stephen Juriga, Renea Kaufman, Harley Kirby, Hannah Lanphear, Brandon Lopez, Alan Macyauski, Catalina Mancera, Clare McLemore, Korben Mead, Kyler Melson, Peyton Murney, Zackery Nezamis, Megan Page, Marco Patlan, Malinda Picardat, Kassidy Reed, Jordan Rodriguez, Tristan Sandoval, Kaleb Smith, Emily Stroud, Dakota Thompson, Nancy Vasques, Juan Villanueva, Lewis Williams Jr., Cecil Wismer, Jacob Zapata.

Dowagiac

DOWAGIAC — Dowagiac Union High School will hold graduation ceremonies for the class of 2020 on June 27 or 28, at Dowagiac's Taylor Alumni Field, depending on the state of Michigan guidelines.

NELSON

WHAN

ROGALSKI

Matthew Nelson and Nicole Whan are co-valedictorians and Jossalyn Rogalski is salutatorian.

Nelson is planning to study pre-engineering at Lake Michigan College and then transfer to Western Michigan University for mechanical engineering to work in either product design or design troubleshooting.

Whan will study at Lawrence Tech University to major in chemistry and also play volleyball for the college. She wants to pursue a career as a forensic scientist in a crime lab.

Rogalski plans to get an associate's degree first and work with animals, hoping to become a zoologist.

Dowagiac's 121 seniors include: Markam Alexander, Elizabet Aranda, Alexis Baker, Jacob Beach, Michael Berry, Alyssa Boese, Savannah Bowker, Shelby Boyd, Elizabeth Brito, William Brock, Trae Brookins, Dashawn Brooks, Audriauna Brown, Hailey Byrd, Jose Carrillo, Kole Checkley, Arianna Conley, William Craft, Keila Crocker, Kylee Cromer, Jenna Davis, Charles Dease, Dakota Depoy, Mallary Dohm, Nickolas Dussel, Haydyn First, Rebecca Franklin, Lacey Fry, Makenna Gaideski, Stacia Gallegos.

Mathew Galvan, Mikaylah Gardner-Dejoinville, Gregory Goodrich, Lukas Green, Jordan Greenman, Nathan Hammond, Nicole Harley, Cole Hartline, John Hassle Jr., Aubry Hazlegrove, Madison Helmuth, Al'Dreon Henderson, De'Ondray Henry, Maddison Hill, Alexis Hills.

Sarah Hippensteel, Renee Hoekstra, Alexis Huizar, Tyler Huston, Austin Igert, McKenzie Janssen, Drew Jarvis, Marissa Jones, Gavin Judd, Anthony Kidd, Ryan Kiggins, Makayla Koncsol, Austin Kuhl.

Deimetrius Lanier Jr., Adrian Lee, William Leonard, Adam Lindsey, Shawn Little, Deeana Lucio, Caleb Luthringer, Leticia Marquez, Jordan McConnell.

Benjamin McCrorey, Alexander McIntosh, Makayla Mellema, Daana Mireles Veloz, Jordan Morseau, Matthew Mosier.

Cailyn Murphy, David Napier II, Matthew Nelson, Benjamin Owen, Hiris Paredes, Lamberto Paredes, Ryan Payne, Maren Peterson, Dominic Phillips, Ethan Phillips, Evan Phillips, Madison Potter, Desiree Raab, Steven Randle.

Mercedez Reece, Destiny Reed, TaJaun Reed, Bethany Richey, Billy Roden Jr., David Rodriguez, Jossalyn Rogalski, Alexis Ross, Austin Ross, Alexa Scherer, Michael Schlup, Leah Scholten, Christopher Schultz, Erin Schultz, William Smiechowski II, Luke Staten, Kaitlyn Stilwell, Jacob Stokes, Lynsie Stolpe.

Morgan Welch, Nicole Whan, Greta Whitaker, Shelby Whitaker, Skylan Whitaker-Baham, Isabella Whitmore, Raegan Wild, Hunter Williamson, Adam Wilson, Cristian Wilson, Justice Wirick Garrelts, Anthoney Withers, Brent Yeager, Alessandra Zaghetti.

Covert

PEREZ

AGUAYO

COVERT — Covert High School will honor their 21 graduating seniors with a "Drive Thru" graduation ceremony and parade at 1 p.m. Sunday, June 7.

Linda Perez is valedictorian, and Leslie Aguayo is salutatorian.

Perez, daughter of Elvira and Juan Perez of Covert, plans to attend Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo.

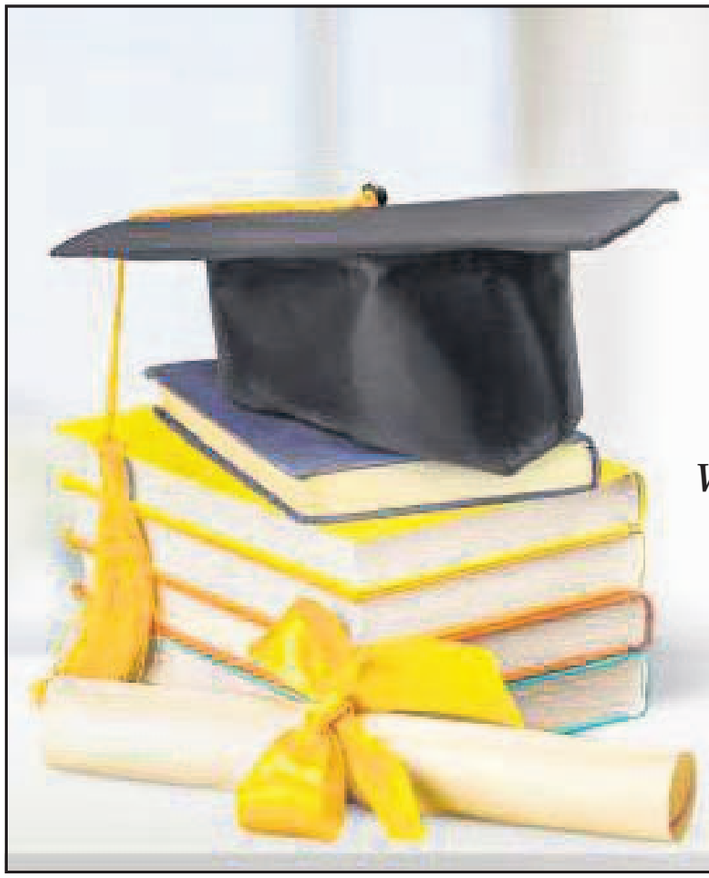
Aguayo, daughter of Marta Murillo and Ismael Aguayo of Covert, plans to attend Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids.

Members of the 2020 graduating class include: Leslie Aguayo, Maria Ayala-Alcauter, Tristan Antio, Antonio Baustista Jr., Dirk Brunt, Mirka Castillo-Gomez, Nathan Clouse, Michael Darling Jr., Fernando Enriquez, Amore' Frost, Jeanette Gallegos.

Teresa Hatch, Lucero Hernandez, Jesse Hernandez, Michael Jones, Cristian Lara Rivera, Sal Morales, Linda Perez, Hailey Widner, Carl Wilson, Kassandra Zamora.

Congratulations graduates

CLASS OF 2020



Top Ten students for 2019-2020:

Morgan Hosbein, Brenna Prescott, Nicholas Eastman, Megan Koenigshof, Emma Vandermolen, Isabelle Stevens, Marissa Sherburn, Megan Neubecker, Alice Askren, Ian Ishmael.

Congratulations To Our 2019-2020 Graduates.

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